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HIGH COST OF MEALS

Sir—Hotel residents' meals are subject to Government control. Is there any reason why similar control should not be extended to those restaurants which, in spite of the big, overall profits made, have increased their prices for meals—in some instances by nearly 25 per cent?

Government's policy is to keep down the cost of living; employers of labour try to operate by pegging wages to a certain level; yet these restaurants have the audacity to put up their prices, which affect the purses of the majority of office-workers who are compelled to have their midday meals in town because of the distances between their offices and homes.

Here is a situation that warrants official inquiry and steps to curb what appears to be an unjustified move on the part of certain restaurants, to reap in more profits at the expense of the public. Why not nationalise all big restaurants?

Hot Plate

Railway parts sent to Canton

A goods train left Hong Kong last night for Canton. The eleven-car train carried several hundred tons of railway parts and machinery, an indication that some basic agreement has been reached in British-Communist negotiations which have been going on for the past week in Hong Kong.

Though no official statements were issued yesterday on the goods train, or on the progress of the railway talks, an informed source said that the Canton-bound machinery is to be used for necessary repairs of Communist-controlled rolling stock. The train carried no passengers.

RMS Carthage

The RMS Carthage is expected to arrive here from the United Kingdom on July 3. The vessel, under the command of Captain E. R. Bodley, left Southampton on June 2.

Passengers who will disembark will include A. Bartley, D. Barton, H.H. Ellis, Mrs. Everett, V. Kruse, H.A.H. Remedios, S.M. Shroff, C. Adams, J.T. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Apple, R.G. Cornwell, Mrs. P.M. Dulake, Mrs. M.M. Verenden, N.S. Feldham, P. Fisherly, Mrs. M. Goli, Mr. and Mrs. J. Griffin, Rev. and Mrs. H.J. Hammer, H.V. Holder, Mrs. O. James, Miss P.W. James, Miss M.V. Jones, Miss E.K. Jensen, L.D. Lark, A. Main, T.H. McCall, Mrs. R.G. McLaughlin, F.R. Menby, K.H. Menhinkel, Mrs. W. Moore, Mr. J.H. Robbins, Mrs. J. Sharp, J. Sheld, D. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Simpson, I.D. Sullivan, Dr. and Mrs. T.S. See, E.H. Thomas, R.S. Torrance, J.L.P. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. R.W.S. Winter, S.B. Yu.

Farewell presentation



Mrs. J. Shaw was given a farewell party by members of the YWCA yesterday. Photo shows a presentation being made to Mrs. Shaw by Miss G. W. Miller, Chairman of the English-speaking Members' Committee. ("China Mail" photo).

Further charge against Argos Hill seamen

A further charge of impeding the navigation and progress of the ship was preferred against 19 seamen of the ss. Argos Hill when they were brought before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday on remand.

The seamen were charged on Monday with disobedience to a lawful command by refusing to put out to sea. The second charge alleged that by refusing to put out to sea they impeded the navigation and progress of the ship.

The seamen, 11 Europeans and eight Arabs, are: Ahmed Mohsin, fireman; Ahmed Ali, fireman; Said Hassan, greaser; Guld Saleh, fireman; Abdullah Sallam, cook; Mohamed Abdullah, fireman; Kaid Ghaleb, greaser; Said Ali, greaser; Marcel Roger Anthony Lawrence, steward; Alfred Jones, steward; Patrick A. Hynes, able seaman; James Hutton, able seaman; Robert Collier, 5th engineer; Arnold Brierley, steward boy; William Lammens, ordinary seaman; Danny Booker, ordinary seaman; Michael O'Leary, able seaman; and Alvera McGuinness, able seaman.

Mr. V.J.L. D'Alton, instructed by Mr. J.C. Stewart, is representing the defendants, while Mr. F.D. Hammond, is holding a watching brief on behalf of the owners of the vessel, the County Ship Management and Company of London. Inspector C. Fife of the Marine Police is taking charge of the prosecution's case.

Mr. D'Alton asked for another remand saying that he had been instructed to take over the defence shortly after noon. Defence counsel, briefly outlining the position of his clients, said that defendants had not refused to sail as was alleged. He said that after the ship arrived here the crew was told to proceed to a Northern port whereupon defendants made inquiries.

They were then told that war insurance was being taken out for them to cover the trip, £2,000 for the officers and £1,000 for the men. Defendants, counsel said, made further inquiries and wanted fuller particulars regarding the coverage of the insurance, whether it covered death or injuries.

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Ordinance on appointment of Public Services Commission

An Ordinance to provide for the appointment of a Public Services Commission to advise Government on the selection and appointment of candidates for the public service in Hong Kong, will have its First Reading at today's Legislative Council meeting.

The Commission is also to ensure that the claims of local candidates receive full consideration thus giving effect to the recommendations of the Salaries Commission of 1947.

The Commission is to include a chairman and two members to be appointed by the Governor. They cannot be holders of pensionable offices or posts the emoluments of which are payable wholly or partly out of public funds. Legislative Council members also cannot be appointed to the Commission.

An official explanatory note states that it is contemplated that the Chairman will normally be a retired Government servant familiar with the organisation and administration of the public service. The Commission will have a Secretary provided by Government but the Secretary will not be a member of the Commission.

The official note adds that the Lotteries Patent vest in the Governor the power of making appointments to the Public Service but in exercising this power he must necessarily be guided by the Secretary of State.

Clause 15 of the Bill accordingly contains a saving provision to show that no derogation of these provisions is indicated. Consistently with the constitutional position thus arising the functions of the Commission are purely advisory.

This is clarified by clause 6 of the Bill which also requires that regulations be made specifying more particularly the spheres in which the advice of the Commission will be sought. It is proposed to consult the Commission fully whenever a vacancy in the pensionable establishment of the public service arises unless the vacancy arises in one of the posts excepted by sub-clause (2) of clause 6.

The exceptions are made for a variety of reasons. In the case of the Governor and Heads of Departments the Secretary of State has inevitably to consider candidates from other Colonies about whom the Commission will have no information. In the case of military organisations or a quasi-military force such as the Police it is thought desirable that promotion should proceed on the basis of information by experience of such forces.

DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED

Latest donations to the Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association are: Previously acknowledged \$15,089.64. The China Emporium \$10, Mr. Chan Han Leung \$50, Staff of the Taikee Dock and Yung Co. (second donation) \$15, The Lam Chiu Yee and Friends \$15, The Wong Chuk Hang Mutual Aid Club \$15, Lona Gin Cheong \$10, Mr. Law Yik Tong and Friends \$10, The Mow Tai Lee Shop \$10, Staff and Friends of Tin Goldsmiths, \$25, Mr. Li Wong Yoon, Ming \$10, Yai Kwong \$10, Staff and Friends of Shieh Chai Tong \$15, China Broom and Manufacturing Co. \$10, Mr. Li Yik \$25, Sun Wook Yung \$10, Friends of the Hong Kong Bank \$100, Young Chun Bin Koon and Friends \$10, Staff and Friends of Castle Peak Companies \$10, Mr. Ho Yau Leung \$10, Staff and Friends of Lai Yu Kee \$10, Li To Bank \$10, Koi Hing Athletic Association \$10, Messrs. Yau Hing Co. \$10, Mrs. Choy Yuen Yik \$10, Mr. Chan Yik Co \$10, The Sam Hing Weaving Factory \$10, Messrs. Yeh Hing \$10, The National Labourers' Society \$10, Staff and Friends of Tin Tak Dispensary \$10, The China Missionary Society, Taipei, \$10, Yung Chung \$10, Staff and Friends of Shanghai East Factory \$10, Staff and Friends of Ho Hing Loppo \$10, Yufan Council Staff Association \$10, China Physical Culture Society \$10, H.K. and N. School for Merchants Association \$10, Yung Koo With Co. \$10, Wook Shid Kee Weaving Factory \$10, Messrs. Fat Yuen Hong \$10, The Capital-Flourish Factory \$10, The Lai Hing Sun Goldenfield \$10. Total \$10,811.64.

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Resolution before Legislative Council

The Financial Secretary will ask Legislative Council tomorrow to approve a resolution abandoning claims and write-off of losses and deficiencies as specified and explained in a Schedule No. 5 attached to the Resolution.

Details of the Schedule were not made available today to the Press.

Personalia

Miss A. Tyerman-Taylor left Hong Kong for Saigon yesterday by the ss. Yunan.

Arrivals from Tientsin yesterday by the ss. Sinking included Mrs. G. M. Liddell, Cpt. E. R. Sherwood, R. H. Felgate, Mrs. W. E. Felgate, Miss A. Moosa, R. S. Larkin, F. W. Crowther, T. Watson, Daniel Finlay, D. R. Seckford, Mrs. A. P. Eckford, Mrs. G. Roach, Miss V. Roach, Mrs. S. Obolinnova, M. M. Brilantisky, A. Robostoff and Mrs. A. Robostoff.

The ss. President McKinley arrived yesterday from San Francisco and Manila with the following passengers:

Mr. Herbert A. Illies, connected with Gatz Bros. and Company, who boarded the vessel at San Francisco and disembarked here.

Mr. Herman Knaesche, en route from Manila to San Francisco. The following passengers are embarking at Hong Kong for San Francisco:

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Speights, Mr. Speights is Assistant Vice President of the American Petroleum Lines in New York, and has been making business survey tour of the Orient.

Mr. Charles E. Winter, accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Mr. Harry Wahlford Post, accompanied by his wife and three children. The President McKinley is expected to sail from Hong Kong today.

The Reverend R. Nelson and Mr. Leung Lai-yuen left Hong Kong for Jesselton on Monday by CPA.

MR. NICOLL'S APPOINTMENT

Mr. J. E. Nicoll, Colonial Secretary, has been appointed Officer Administering the Government, to act during the absence of the Governor who left on leave yesterday.

Mr. R.R. Todd has resumed his previous post as Acting Colonial Secretary.

SHIPS IN THE NEWS

Mr. Pang Kwok-sui writes in correcting details of ownership in connection with one of two ships prominent in the news. The "Joop Hees" was bought last November, and is now owned by him. The "Tichungshan" is owned by the Taping S.N. Co. Ltd., of Hong Kong; of which Mr. Pang is Director. The Jibshan Shung Shipping Co. are the charterers of these two ships, not the owners.

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Taiwan Red underground smashed

Underground organisations working for the Chinese Communists have been smashed at Huailien (Karekko), on the East coast of Taiwan, according to yesterday's vernacular "Wah Kiu Yat Pao".

In a message from Taipei, the newspaper said that a number of men had been arrested including personnel employed in the local garrison and some school teachers.

Huailien is an air base on the East coast of Taiwan. This is the first time that Chinese Communist agents have been reported active in that part of the Nationalist island.

The same newspaper reported that more than 1,200 civilians in Taiwan between the ages of 18 and 45 are to be recruited and organized into self-defence corps within two months.

Other reports from Taipei, published in the same vernacular added that some 40 Soviet technical advisers accompanied by 30 Soviet soldiers and a 30-piece band had left Whampoa last Saturday to inspect conditions at the mouth of the Pearl River. The object of the mission was not mentioned.

Appeal against eviction order is dismissed

An appeal against an eviction order by the occupant of 59 Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong, on grounds that the Tenancy Tribunal's decision was against the weight of evidence and wrong in law, was dismissed yesterday.

In upholding the judgment of the Tenancy Tribunal President, the Appeal Court made an order for \$250 costs against the appellant and one month's stay of execution of the eviction order.

The case was taken by the Acting Pulver Judge, Mr. Justice Scholles.

Appellant in the case was Li Mar-sik, tenant of 59 Cumberland Road. He was represented by Mr. E. B. Bernacchi instructed by Mr. P. H. H. H.

Mr. John MacNeill, KC, appeared for the landlord, Ching Ding-min, alias Mrs. Chan Kam-wai, of 287 Hennessy Road, first floor.

The eviction order was issued by Mr. W. H. Lattimer, Tenancy Tribunal President, on April 3, 1950, on the application of the landlord who claimed the tenant's time was up in accordance with the tenancy contract.

Mr. Bernacchi, in opening his case, told the Court this was the first time that the question of interpretation of section 13 of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, 1947, has arisen in this Court. The appeal mainly rested on this question, he stated.

The lease under section 13 (3) of the Ordinance, counsel went on, is of necessity that section 13 is specifically designed to be the contrary of section 18.

Turning to the lease in question, Mr. Bernacchi submitted that there can be no question but that the intention of the parties must have been that the lease was to be terminated by the landlord.

One cannot depend on oral evidence, counsel said, for the purpose of establishing intention. "My case is that the latter part of the lease, when referred to the terms of section 13, is ambiguous and must necessarily be interpreted in the tenant's favour."

Turning to the appeal of the landlord, Mr. Bernacchi submitted that the landlord's case was based on the provisions of section 13, counsel put forward contentions that the landlord must satisfy the Court that by the words laid down that tenant intended to deprive himself of the right of occupation against the landlord.

Mr. Bernacchi then referred to the lease in question, pointing out that it laid down that the term contained therein was for two years. At the end of the period, the tenant is to be evicted, should without delay or excuses give up the premises.

Counsel went on to submit that the only issue concerned was whether the tenant was within the meaning of section 13 in that he intended to deprive himself of the afforded protection.

Mr. Bernacchi then quoted numerous authorities to support his claim that the terms, being in law ambiguous, should be construed in favour of the tenant and not the landlord.

Opposing view

Mr. MacNeill for the respondent then rose and put forward submissions that a landlord and his tenant are entitled to agree to such terms of tenancy as they see fit, and that the tenant's intention to deprive himself of the afforded protection is a question of fact, not of law.

Counsel also quoted some legal authorities, and contended that the Ordinance, being in contemplation of the inclusion of the question of fact into play.

The question of what the intention of the parties was at the time of the making of the lease was a question of fact, not of law.

This Tribunal, therefore, is not only entitled to look at the terms of the contract, but also to ascertain the intention of the tenant in that connection.

Mr. MacNeill then submitted that the Court is entitled to look at the surrounding circumstances in the case, and that the tenant's intention to deprive himself of the afforded protection is a question of fact, not of law.

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Joint meeting of British Council, USIS and ASG Libraries

A joint meeting of the British Council Library, the United States Information Service Library, and the International Affairs Study Group Library, was held in the premises of the British Council Library, Gloucester Building, yesterday.

It was also the occasion for the opening of the International Affairs Study Group Library, which was confined to just one book case, and housed in the premises of the British Council Library.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. E. S. Kirby, Chairman of the International Affairs Study Group; Mr. C. A. F. Dundas, Head of the British Council Library; and Mr. H. S. Hudson, Director of the United States Information Service, Hong Kong.

Dr. E. S. Kirby, in declaring the library open, said the International Affairs Study Group was formed at the end of last year as a strictly non-political and unofficial body, for people in Hong Kong who are interested in serious study and information of international affairs, with reference especially to the Far East and the Pacific Ocean area.

During the first half year of its existence it has confined its activities mainly to talks and discussions, held on an average of about twice a month.

An attempt has also been made to start study circles on specific subjects which may be further developed in future.

Dr. Kirby said the Group has applied for affiliation to the Institute of Pacific Relations, the corresponding international body, and though this has not yet formally come through, the Institute has given the Group much assistance.

Supply of books

One form of assistance is the supply of books and other literature. The Group expects to receive regularly all the publications of the Institute and associated organizations, and to develop them into a special library.

Dr. Kirby thanked members and various individuals and organizations in Hong Kong for their support of the Group, and he mentioned the names of Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Fung Ping-fan, Mr. Y. K. Kan, Mr. G. Y. Kwan and Mr. Li Tsao-feng.

He also thanked the British Council for allowing the Group's library to be housed in their premises and to be cared for by the Council librarian. It had originally been intended to make use of St. John's Hall, but Gloucester Building was found to be a more central location.

"The library is small; it is only a nucleus at present. Indeed, it will never grow big, as it is rather specialized in its contents and intention," said Dr. Kirby.

"Now the use of this library, unlike the other two libraries represented at this meeting, which meeting is an earnest of our mutual desire to co-operate for the general and public benefit, is restricted to members of the IASG only. The books and papers are to be borrowed only by members of the Group, on production of their membership card; it is free of charge, and without deposit, for them. We may consider giving borrowing tickets to non-members on application, but this hardly seems necessary, as membership of the IASG is open to anyone with a serious interest in the kind of material we offer, against the very modest membership fee of only \$10 a year, all in the Group endeavours in all things to be democratic, in the best sense of that much-abused term, and in its finances it is run, as the saying goes, 'on a shoestring', on members' subscriptions sufficient only to cover minimum expenses."

Similar objectives

The next speaker, Mr. Hudson, said the general objective of the American Library and that of the British Council are similar, each portraying the nature and projecting the character of the country it represents.

American Libraries in foreign countries are trying to give the people of the world an opportunity to "know" the United States through books and magazines. These books (most part about America, either by native or foreign authors) are interpretations by American authors of questions mutually interesting to people everywhere.

"The emphasis is on an interpretation of America for we sincerely believe that the more people of one country know about those of other countries, misunderstandings between nations will be minimized, for knowledge develops confidence while ignorance breeds distrust," said Mr. Hudson.

Continuing Mr. Hudson described libraries as something in the nature of post-graduate institutions, providing trained guidance to students looking to supplement their studies, for adults to improve their knowledge in general or specialized fields, and something of an encyclopedia to

which people may come to learn of the dreams and thoughts and hopes of others.

"So the American Library in Hong Kong might be called one of the American sections, or divisions, of this post-graduate institution," said Mr. Hudson.

"Now it might seem that because most of our books are about America or by American authors, and the libraries are maintained by a Government agency, that they have a narrow, one-sided approach to American problems and the American way of life, portraying by design just those aspects we wish other people to have. That would be the worst sort of chauvinism and would immediately discredit the integrity of our American libraries enjoy."

"On the shelves of American libraries you'll find books and magazine articles on the same subject by different authors presenting divergent viewpoints. In one book or magazine you may find material critical of the administration and in another book or magazine article praise for the administration. American libraries do not speak for the party in power or the administrative government of the United States, but for the people. We present differences of opinion, the changes in character from one section of the States to the other, so a fair picture can be developed in the minds of our users. If all our books and magazines were of a kind, it would be impossible to understand the United States and its people. We believe, like you, in freedom of thought and expression, for we are just as jealous of the fundamental liberties of Magna Carta as you, and we have embodied these liberties in our basic law—the Constitution.

"We claim no monopoly of this practice of presenting both sides of a question in our libraries, for we share it, as we do an abiding belief in the rights and dignity of man, with all free people and all those who want to be free."

British Council

The objectives of the British Council and the Council Library were given by Mr. Dundas who said:

"The British Council is an organization set up under a Royal Charter in 1940 though the British Council had been in existence for a number of years before that date. The possession of a Royal Charter by the British Council ensures that the Council is permitted to carry out its work under the direct control of whatever Government may be in power.

"The Charter says that the British Council should be created a 'body corporate for the purpose of promoting a wider knowledge of the United Kingdom, of the English abroad and developing closer cultural relations with other countries.'"

"It will be seen that the objects of the Council fall under two main headings—promoting a wider knowledge of the United Kingdom and developing closer cultural relations with other countries. In some countries emphasis of the British Council's activities are on promoting a wider knowledge of the United Kingdom, in others, on developing closer cultural relations. The two are not mutually exclusive, though it is found that usually the one will lead to the other.

One of the principal means used by the Council for these two-fold activities is the British Council Library. In Hong Kong the Library was started in a small way just over a year ago. Since then it has steadily grown in size and scope. There are various sections—fiction, biography, history, technical subjects and works of reference, to all of which books are being gradually added. Furthermore, by the kindness of a citizen of Hong Kong, the Library has been given a selection of the Chinese classics. The first purpose of the Library is to fulfil the terms of the Council's Charter. One advantage of a library is that it fulfils at the same time both the first and second objects of the Council, and at the same time meets a local need.

British Council Libraries throughout the world vary greatly in composition for they are designed and built up to meet the particular requirements of the people who use the Library. It is for this reason that it is the policy of the Council to build libraries slowly, so that there can be no doubt that the local requirements are being met. A suggestion Book is kept in the Library and users are requested to write in the book their suggestions for additions to the Library. It is, therefore, hoped



Crowds jammed the first post-war exhibition in Hong Kong of Japanese goods, held yesterday. This photo shows a portion of the exhibition shortly after the opening. ("China Mail" photo).

Reminders

Today

Toe H meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Women's Section, European YMCA, whilst morning, 10 a.m.
Union Jack Club, whilst drive, 7.45 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, film "Code of the West", 8.30 p.m.
Japanese Merchandise Exhibition, 5, Lehouse Street.
Dominion Rubber Co., Ltd., annual meeting, 601-605, Marina House, 12 noon.
Sino-British Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 8.15 p.m.
Foreign Press Correspondents Club, informal dance.

Coming events

TOMORROW

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Y's Men Club luncheon-meeting, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Cinema and Supper for HM Forces, 7.45 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Band call broadcast, 8.15 p.m.; Amateur Hour with cash prizes, 9 p.m.
Union Jack Club, tombola, 7.30 p.m.
HK Women's International Club, whilst drive for Services, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Organ Recital, St. John's Cathedral, 1.15 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, tombola, 8 p.m.
Cheong Cheong Club, Amateur Night, 7.30 p.m.
Union Jack Club, dance, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Excursion for HM Forces, assembly at St. Andrew's Church, 2 p.m.

by the Council that the small Library here, will be increased to meet the special requirements of the people of Hong Kong.

Public library

The meeting, which was open to the public, then proceeded to a discussion of Hong Kong's library needs, and questions were asked whether in the event of the Colony having a public library the three institutional libraries could be merged with it.

Both Mr. Dundas and Mr. Hudson said their institutional libraries had certain specific functions to perform. Every facility would, however, be made available to those who want to refer to these libraries.

Questions regarding the indexing of books and posting up of information as to what books are available were also raised and discussed.

Dr. Kirby said there is no reason why Hong Kong cannot have a public library of its own, provided there is sufficient public pressure, but there was little response from the audience, and no concrete suggestions were put forward as to how this was to be achieved, beyond the sending out of letters to elicit support from different quarters.

About 40 people attended the meeting.

PRE-WAR LAND SALE DEPOSITS

Authority has now been granted to refund a certain number of pre-war land sale deposits and surplus funds, which were credited to the District Office, South or District Office, North, it was officially announced yesterday.

Depositors may file their claims within four months from June 13 1950, but if no claims have been received by October 15 1950, in respect of any particular outstanding case, the outstanding deposits will be written off. Any enquiries regarding the details of these deposits may be made at the appropriate Land Office, in the New Territories.

Japanese open trade exhibition In HK

Japan held her first trade exhibition in Hong Kong yesterday when she opened a six-day trade display in Prince's Building, at the corner of Ice House Street and Chater Road.

The large number of spectators who visited the exhibition testified to the widespread interest shown by the people of Hong Kong in the re-emergence of Japanese trade in the Colony.

It is the first large-scale attempt to recapture Japan's hold on the Asian market. Hong Kong was chosen as the locale for the sales campaign because of its pivotal position as the trade centre of South East Asia as well as the doorway to South China.

New PAWA service

Pan American World Airways have inaugurated a special luxury service from Honolulu to Tokyo and Manila with double-decked Clippers.

Herbert F. Milley, Traffic and Sales Manager for the Pacific Alaska Division, said the new service will provide all-sleeper accommodations from Honolulu to the Orient with the passenger given his choice of a sleeperette or berth in conjunction with conventional seats at no extra charge.

The blue ribbon Orient service will feature cuisines planned and supervised by the head chef of the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco and complimentary vintage wines.

Breakfast will be served in bed for those who wish. The berths have foam-rubber mattresses, personal reading lights and are larger than conventional steamship and railroad berths.

Sleeperette seats, an exclusive feature with Pan American, have been installed for Orient luxury service. These seats are converted at the flick of a switch into fully reclining lounges with a foot rest which slides out from under the seat to make an overall length of more than six feet. Curtains are drawn to separate the seat from the aisle and insure complete privacy.

All types of cocktails, highballs and after-dinner liquors will be served to passengers either at their seats or in the lounge on the lower deck.

Pan American has modified its double-decked Clippers to accommodate 56 passengers on the Honolulu-Orient blue ribbon run. The Honolulu-Manila service will continue to be operated with the standard accommodations for 61 passengers. Ample berth accommodations will be available on all Honolulu-Manila flights at the regular berth charge of US\$25.

Restoration of diamond ring

Detective Sub-Inspector Scragg applied before Mr. Hing-shing Lo at Central yesterday for the restoration of a valuable diamond ring to the rightful owner.

In his application Inspector Scragg said that the ring belonged to Wai Yee-pok who had given it to Ma Wai-lim to sell some months ago. Ma disappeared with the ring.

On May 19, the Police received information that the ring was in the possession of Yau Chiu-long and when they went to his home he admitted that he had the diamond ring. He told the Police that Ma had pledged the ring with him for a loan of HK\$2,000.

Inspector Scragg continued the original owner of the ring was willing to pay Yau HK\$1,000 for the return of the ring and that Yau was willing to accept the offer.

However Mr. Lo denied the application saying that he wanted to know further particulars about the case before he would grant the application.

Vampire jets for Hong Kong

Hong Kong will have a squadron of Vampire jet planes before the end of 1950, according to informed sources yesterday.

The squadron, which will be based at Kai Tak, is due to come to Hong Kong from England on the aircraft carrier, HMS Ocean.

The planes, the same type as the jet planes which were to have given a demonstration in Hong Kong three weeks ago, will be the first permanent jet squadron ever to be stationed in the Colony.

A Royal Air Force officer confirmed the arrival of the jet planes, but would not elaborate.

Mr. Noble's address to Rotarians

Mr. Kenneth Noble, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, gave a talk on "More about Money" at the Hong Kong Rotary Club weekly luncheon yesterday.

The talk was a follow-up of a film, "Story of Money," shown to Rotarians by courtesy of Mr. Bill Anderson early last month.

Mr. Noble touched upon the intricacies of international exchange, unfavourable balance of trade, and basic financial adjustments. Nations, like individuals, have to live within their earnings or else they get into trouble, though when nations get into monetary trouble, matters become much more complicated, he said.

Britain's financial troubles were due not so much to spending beyond her earnings as to the heavy debts she incurred during the war, and she has now to make up by increasing her exports. She has done remarkably well in this connection, for her exports today are 50 per cent higher than before the war.

It is a question of earning enough to pay your debts and, in the case of Britain, despite her achievements her earnings are still not enough to pay her debts, said Mr. Noble.

The speaker was thanked by Mr. Bill Anderson on behalf of the Club.

Rotarians were reminded by the President, Mr. Fung Ping-fan, that the next meeting on Tuesday, June 20, will be Ladies' Day, and they were asked to turn up in full force with their Rotary-Annes.

Victoria Diocesan Ass'n annual reunion

The annual reunion of the Victoria Diocesan Association (Hong Kong) will be held at 3 p.m. on June 28 in the Hoare Memorial Hall, Church House, Westminster.

Bishop Wilson will be in the Chair and the Speakers will be Dean Rose and Miss M. C. Knight. The reunion will be preceded by a service at 2 noon at St. Margaret's, Westminster, at which Canon Swann will celebrate and the sermon preached by Gerald Goodban. Lunch and tea will be available at Church House.

Residents of Hong Kong who would like invitations sent to friends in England should notify either Mrs. Overell, Grove House, Walton, Wakefield, Yorks, or Mrs. H. A. Skinner, 274 The Peak, Hong Kong, immediately.

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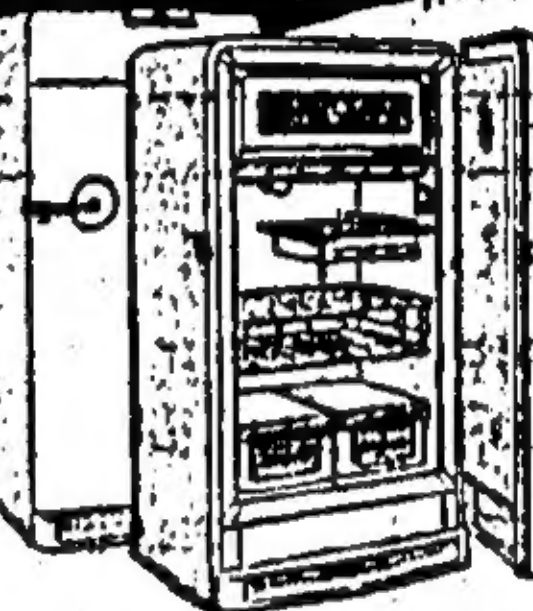


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SCRIBBLING PAD—100 pages at 50 cents each. On sale at "China Mail" Office, Windsor House, Tel. 32312.

SALE OF CROWN LAND

An auction sale of Crown Land will be held at P. W. D. Headquarters on Monday, the 19th day of June 1950 at 3 p.m.

The area which comprises 4,540 square feet is situated at King's Road and is suitable for industrial purposes.

Further particulars are available from the Government Gazette of 9th June, 1950 or from the Crown Lands & Survey Office.

A. P. WEIR
Acting Director of
Public Works.

June 2, 1950.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS NO. 25 (T) OF 1950.

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REMOVAL OF WRECK

DATE:—June 14, 1950 and until further notice.

POSITION:—109° 7.8 cables from Kowloon Clock Tower.

DETAILS:—Underwater explosive charges may be detonated during the first fifteen minutes of each hour in connection with the dispersal of wreck of S/S "HALLDOR".

Masters of all vessels should give this position wide berth and reduce speed when passing.

AUTHORITY:—Marine Department.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.

Marine Office,
Hong Kong, June 13, 1950.

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE No. 18 OF 1950.

FOR INFORMATION OF SHIP OPERATORS AND CHARTERERS.

It is hereby notified that Saturday and Sunday 10th/11th June, 1950 have been declared Weather-non-working Days.

J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.

Marine Office
Hong Kong.

June 12, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE.

It is hereby notified for general information that the Police Notice published on 13th and 14th June 1950, regarding the closing of Victoria Road from Yat Pit Ting to the road leading to Mount Davis Military Camp on 15th and 16th June 1950 has now been cancelled.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

June 13, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE.

It is hereby notified for general information that Victoria Road from YAT PIT TING to the road leading to Mount Davis Military Camp will be closed to vehicular traffic from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on June 15, 1950 and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 16, 1950.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

June 12, 1950.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

The Medical Practice of Dr. Elizabeth D. Graham is now being carried on at Room 502 China Building, 5th Floor. Telephone No. 24047. Telephone No. After Hours—25059.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

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Mate's Receipt No. 9 covering the following 37 packages shipped from Hongkong to London by the s.s. "CANTON", which sailed on the 9th June, 1950, has been lost and is hereby declared null and void.

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Applications should be sent by air mail and should reach the undersigned not later than 30th June 1950. Thereafter suitable arrangements will be made for the interview of likely candidates.

No replies will be sent to unsuccessful candidates.

(H.C.H. BERRY)
OFF. MASTER ATTENDANTS.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MACAO

NOTICE

Tenders are hereby invited for the construction of a Municipal Swimming Pool which will comprise a Pool 50 Metres in length, a Grand Stand with Cloakrooms, Showers and Toilet facilities, a Small Pool for Children, and Engine Room, a Cascade and Diving Tower, a Restaurant, Cabanas and Annexes, and a Sustaining Wall.

Plans, blue-prints, calculations, and any other information will be shown, on request, at the Council's Secretariat, during Office hours.

Tenders should be handed in not later than 1 p.m. on the 12th July next.

Municipal Council in Macao, 8th June, 1950.

JORGE GRAYE LEITE,
President.

NOTICE R.A.M.C. DAY

Ex-members of the R.A.M.C. are cordially invited to the R.A.M.C. SPORTS on Friday, June 23, 1950, at 2 p.m. at FORCES RECREATION CENTRE, BOUNDARY STREET, KOWLOON. Enquiries to Captain Britton, 33 General Hospital, Telephone 58128.

NOTICE

We are pleased to announce that Mr. John Sparks (Member, Hong Kong Stock Exchange) is becoming associated with us, with effect from 10th June, 1950.

WALLER & COMPANY.

Clerk on corruption charge

Declaring that defendant held no confidence in him, Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios, defence counsel, withdrew from the case in which Lal Kal-hong, alias Franky Lal, Tenancy Tribunal clerk, was charged with corruption, before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

The 29-year-old clerk faced three charges of corruption. It was alleged that he received \$400 from Sze-to-Yuk-kiu as a reward or inducement to arrange the eviction of Sze-to's sub-tenants. On March 27 he was alleged to have received \$200 from Sze-to as a reward for forwarding an application for the eviction of the principal tenant of 422 Reclamation Street, and that he on March 31 received \$400 from Wong Ting-cheung on behalf of her aunt, Sze-to Yuk-kiu, as a reward or inducement to arrange for the eviction of the sub-tenants of 24 Flower Market Street.

When hearing of the case began yesterday Mr. Remedios requested the Court for a short adjournment to take further instructions from his client. He also asked for particulars of the last two charges as the case was only recently transferred to him by Mr. M. A. de Silva's clerk.

When the court resumed after a short adjournment, Mr. Remedios said that he had attempted to discuss the case with defendant on the additional charges. Defendant, said counsel, emphatically denied the charges but unfortunately he would give no particulars to him along the line of defence.

No confidence

However, continued Mr. Remedios, Lal did not give any reason for refusing to furnish his counsel with particulars. Mr. Remedios then said that Lal had no confidence in him and that he wanted another solicitor to defend him.

Mr. Remedios said the case was transferred to him on June 9 by defendant's wife, through Mr. Silva's clerk and he had only four days to prepare the case. With the last instruction he received from his client, he asked the Court for another adjournment to enable Lal to engage another solicitor.

Mr. Remedios then said that under these circumstances he had no alternative but to retire from the case. He expressed regrets for the inconvenience caused to the Court.

Detective Sub-Inspector C. J. Askew, prosecuting officer, said that he had no objection to an adjournment of one week and defendant was remanded in gaol custody.

PI CONSULATE CHANGES

Manila, June 13. The Philippine Foreign Office announced that the Consul General, Mr. Jose Rodriguez, in Hong Kong will be replaced by Mr. Vicente Singlan, former Consul in Amoy. Mr. Rodriguez' budget appropriation was recently eliminated.

The Hong Kong Vice Consul, Mr. Benito Bautista, will be replaced by Mr. Aurelio Ramos, former Vice Consul in San Francisco.—United Press.

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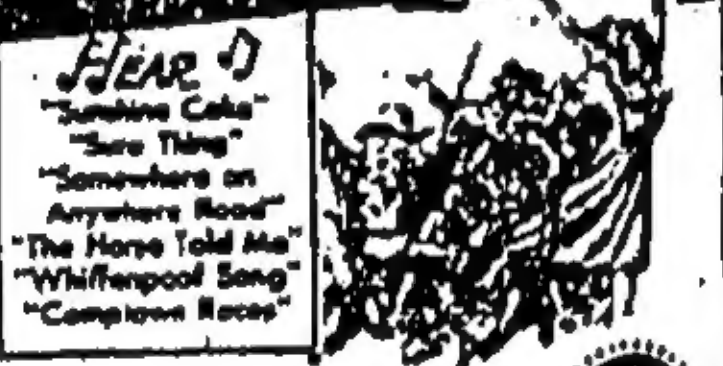


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Lake Success, June 12.

Awni Khalidi of Iraq today denounced the Israel plan for international guardianship of Jerusalem's holy places as impractical, unjust and unacceptable.

Sir Carl Berendsen of New Zealand countered before the United Nations Trusteeship Council by declaring it was time to "terminate this sorry farce" debating internationalisation of Jerusalem and to report failure to the General Assembly in the Council's efforts to carry out its resolution of last December.

JOHNSON TOUR OF PACIFIC

Honolulu, June 12.

The Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson, said today that he was making his first tour of the Pacific to determine U.S. ability to meet any crisis today or tomorrow in the vast area.

Mr. Johnson, his wife, and General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived by plane this morning. They will proceed to the Philippines and then to Japan for talks with General Douglas MacArthur.

Washington and Tokyo reports say a peace treaty for Japan will be the main subject of the conversations with General MacArthur. Mr. Johnson declined to comment on the treaty in meeting reporters.

Instead of replying to the treaty question, he said that on his tour, he would try to find out all the facts about the U.S. defence position in the Pacific.

Russia, Mr. Johnson said, is bent on making the U.S. spend itself into disaster. But, he added, the American economy is sound and U.S. defences are sufficient for the needs of the moment.

"The strategic location of these Hawaiian Islands continues to fit them in a key role in the plans for the defence of America," he continued. "I sincerely hope that soon the flag of the United States will have the star of Hawaii added to its union."

The visiting defence chiefs will remain here until Wednesday night for talks with Admiral Arthur W. Radford, Commander of the Pacific Fleet. Admiral Radford has just returned from a Pacific tour.—Associated Press.

NEW ZEALAND CLOSES LEGATION IN MOSCOW

Moscow, June 12.
The New Zealand Legation in Moscow was closed today and the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. P. Costello, is leaving Moscow tomorrow. The British Embassy will handle New Zealand interests.

Mr. Costello is going directly to London and will then fly to New Zealand for consultations.

Mr. Costello, who has been in Moscow since spring, 1944, saw the Deputy Foreign Minister, Gustav, at the Foreign Ministry today for a farewell call.—Associated Press.

The Soviet-boycotted 12-member Council resumed its debate on Jerusalem after a 10-day postponement to permit Khalidi to get fresh instructions from his Government. Khalidi opened the debate with a long attack on the plan for curators of holy places and upon the report of Roger Gurnea of France, who presided over the Council's efforts to draft and implement an internationalisation statute.

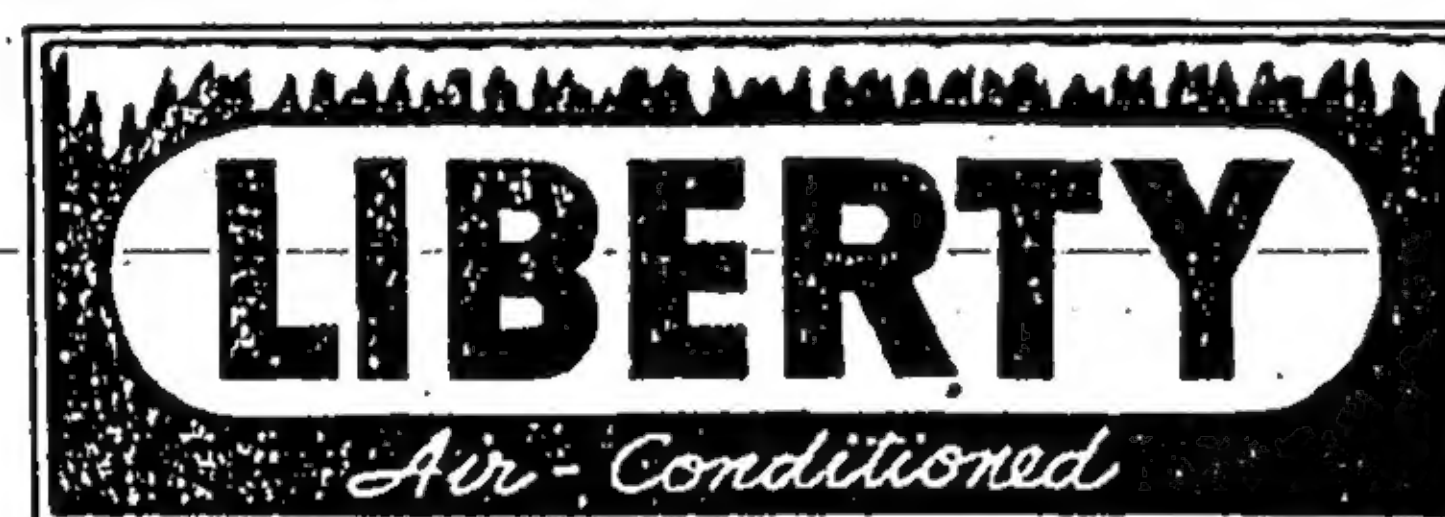
After Khalidi spoke, Sir Carl took the floor. He said "It is high time to terminate this sorry farce and bring to an end all discussions on Jerusalem except those necessary for the preparation of the Council's report to the General Assembly. This Council is wasting time, money and energy on an impossible task imposed upon it by the Assembly. . . . The Council has failed because the Assembly failed. The Assembly's resolution of December 9, 1949, was not a solution but an evasion."

Khalidi said Iraq would accept nothing less than a complete international regime for Jerusalem intact and undismembered. "It would be impossible to maintain separate administration in a small territory proposed by Israel for the internationalisation of holy places."

"The Israel proposal overlooks the fact that not only the shrines in the old city are sacred but all of Jerusalem is sacred—the city and its environs. Can one say the small locality of Bethlehem is not sacred. Yet that is not part of the old city and is not included in the Israel plan. We ask for a complete international regime for Jerusalem intact and undismembered. We shall not accept less. We shall not be moved by cries of paid propagandists."

Mankind's hope

He added, "Against all hope and clamour of mankind to internationalise the holy city we are now being asked to do it only partially and ignominiously."

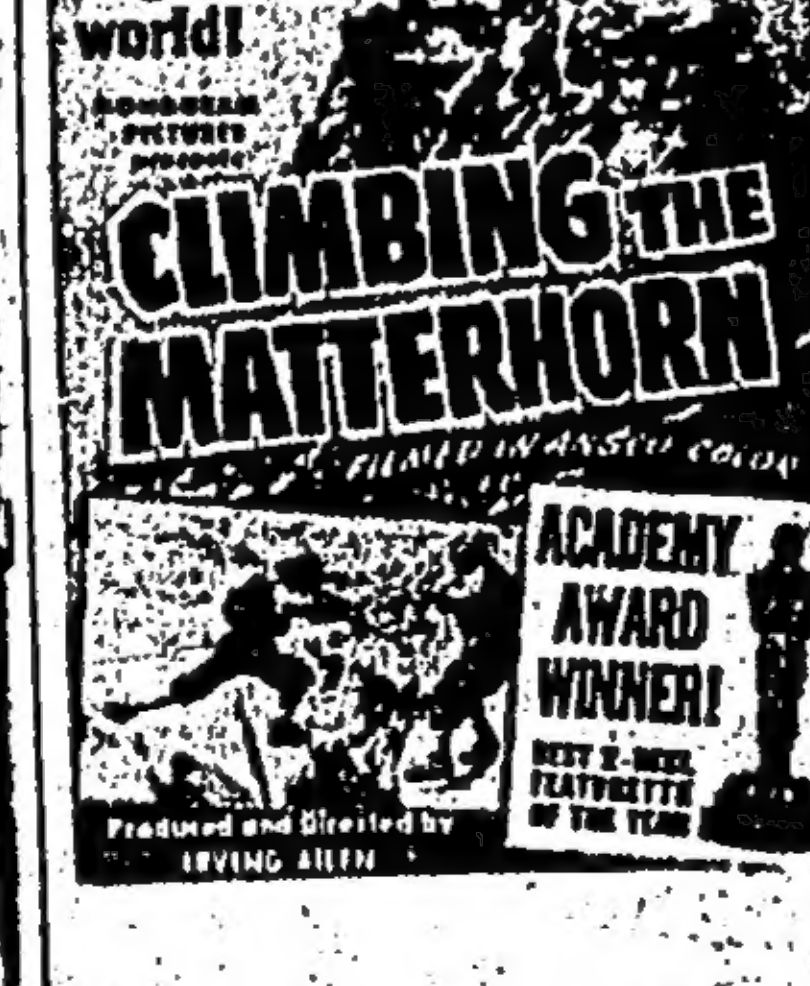


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Landslides kill 13 in Darjeeling

Calcutta, June 12.
Landslides caused by a cyclone killed 13 people in the tea garden city of Darjeeling on Saturday and Sunday, according to wireless reports reaching the West Bengal Government today.

The reports said that 25 houses had been destroyed and that troops and police were helping the townsfolk in rescue work.

The storm cut off all telephonic and telegraphic communication between Calcutta and Darjeeling, summer capital of the West Bengal Government, 800 miles North of Calcutta.—Reuter.

EXILES TO TELL BRITAIN

Edinburgh, June 12.

Twenty refugees from Communist-dominated States on the inner fringe of the Iron Curtain gathered in Edinburgh today for a two-day conference organised by the Scottish League for European Freedom.

Their aim is to tell the people of Britain of resistance movement activities inside the USSR.

"We are not propagating war," said Yaroslav Stezko, chief spokesman for the delegates. "We are only presenting the case of subjugated peoples who want back their own freedom and social justice."

Stezko, a former Ukrainian Prime Minister, is President of the Central Committee of the Anti-Bolshevik Bloc of Nations (ABN). He told a Press conference that the movement was slowly gaining recognition in their fight to throw off the Kremlin's yoke.

"It is not an easy matter," he said, "as with the realisation of the aims of the ABN, the map not only of Europe but the whole world will be absolutely changed."

The conference delegates are all living in exile, most of them in Germany and Austria. The States represented include Bulgaria, Croatia, Northern Caucasus, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, White Ruthenia, Serbia, Slovakia, Turkistan and the Ukraine.—Associated Press.

SERETSES LEAVE

Capetown, June 12.

The Seretse Khama household has packed up and left Secorwa, capital of the Bamangwato tribe for Lobatse, 200 miles away on the Transvaal border.

Seretse, banned from Bamangwato tribal territory in Bechuanaland for five years because of his marriage, was given special permission to visit Secorwa for the birth of his daughter on May 13. Not one of the tribe turned out to see Seretse, his wife, formerly Ruth Williams, of London—and their month-old daughter, Jacquelin, leave.—Reuter.

'HAMLET' FAINTS

Copenhagen, June 12.

Michael Redgrave, British actor who plays Hamlet in the Old Vic's performance of Shakespeare's tragedy at Kronborg Castle, Elsinore, fainted tonight soon after the play began. He was carried out and later it was announced that the performance of the play would be cancelled.—Associated Press.

LINDA CHRISTIAN IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, June 12.

Linda Christian, actress wife of Tyrone Power, the film star, arrived in Singapore tonight from Bali. She will spend a few days here then emplane for Bangkok, New Delhi, Rome and London, where she will meet Power.—Associated Press.

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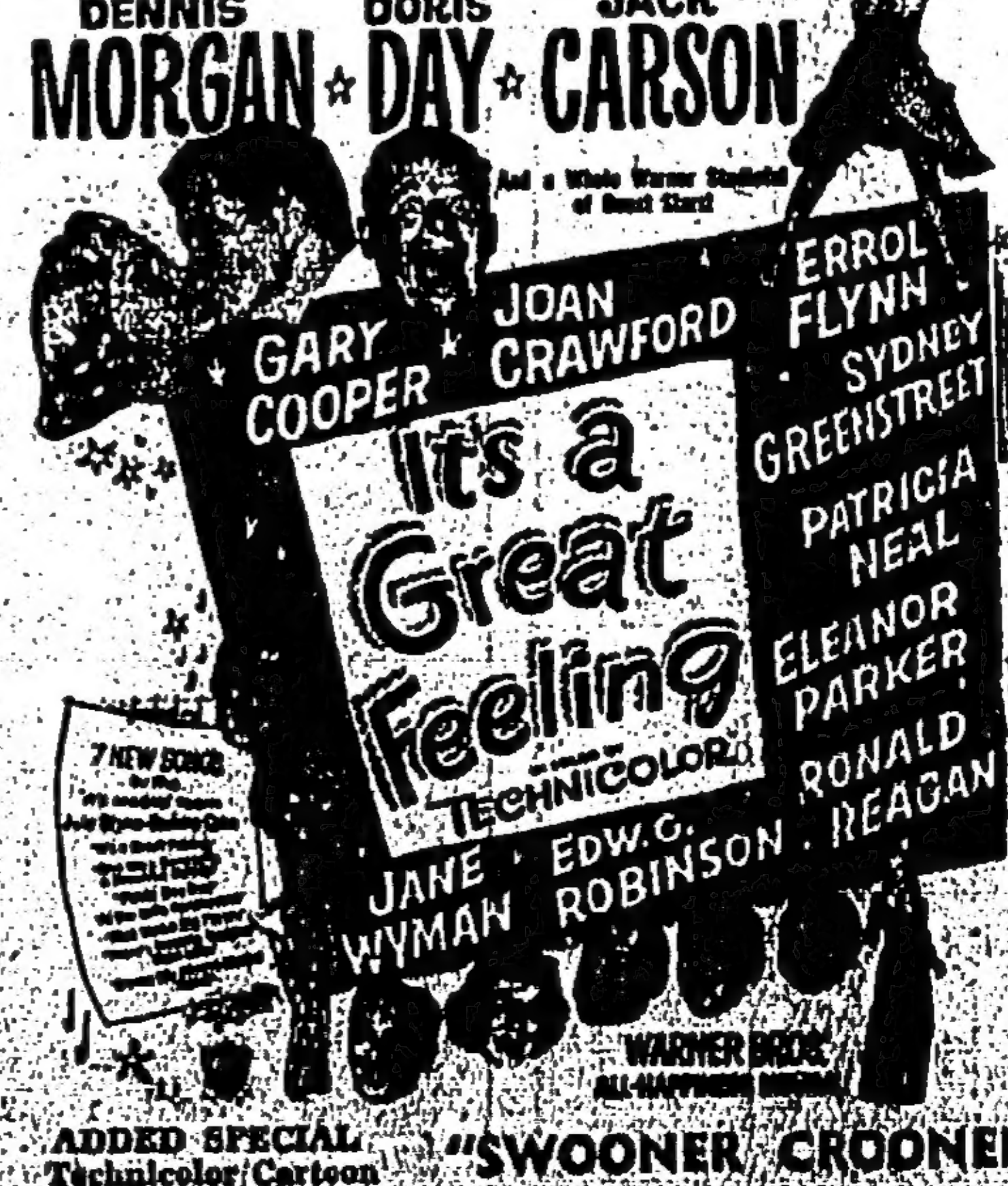
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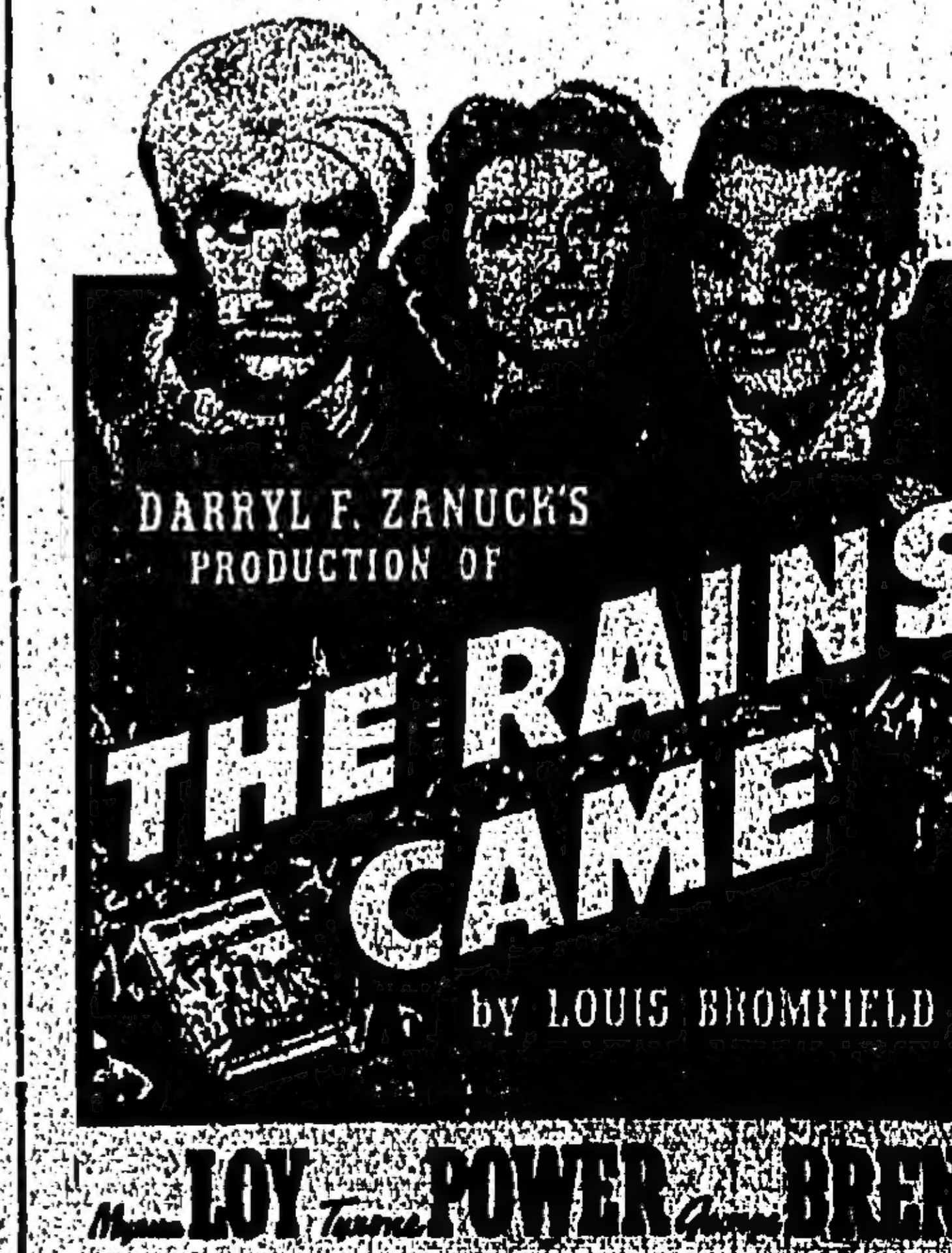
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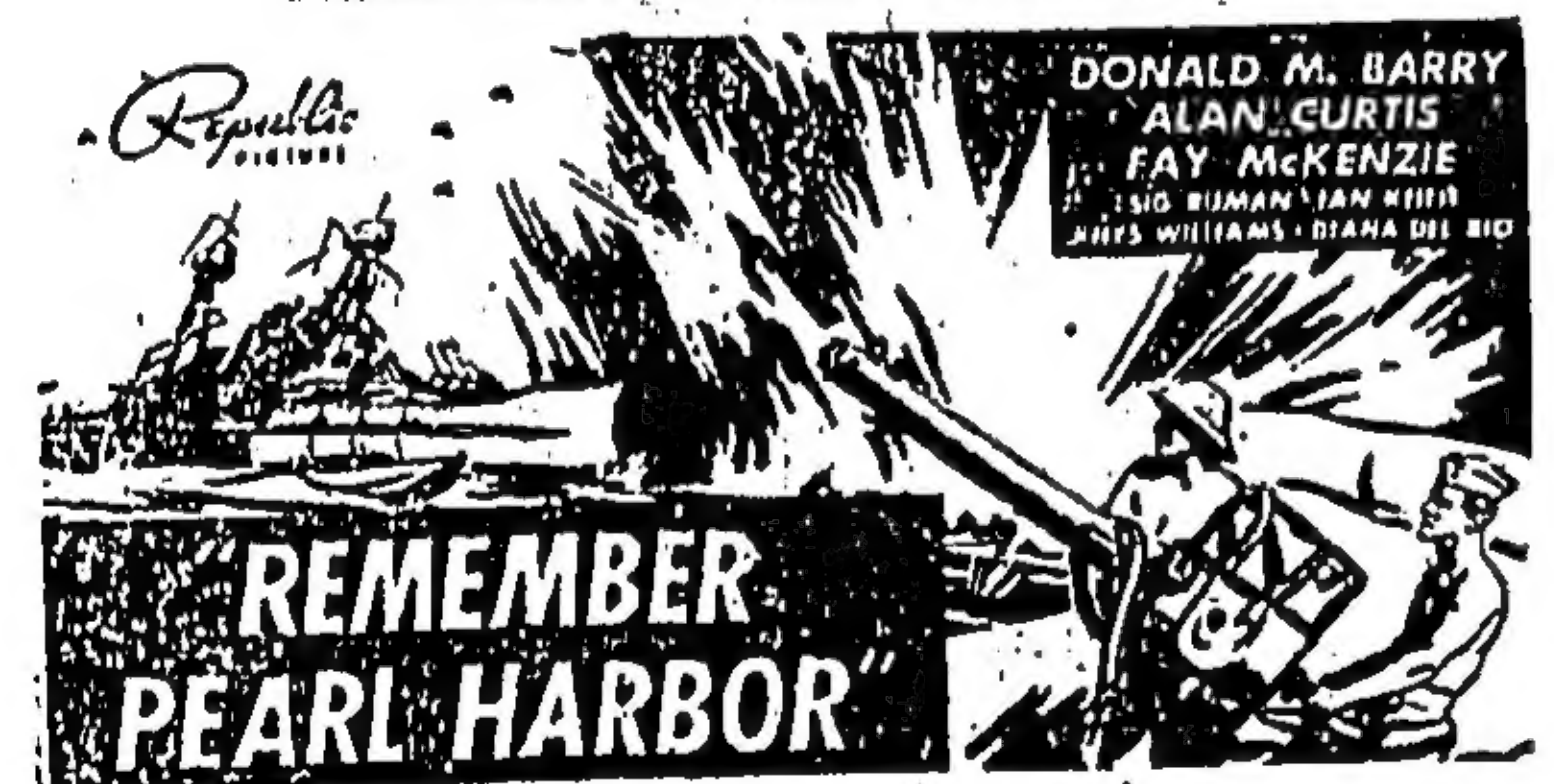
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PEKING AGAIN LOSES VOTE FOR ADMISSION TO UN CONFERENCE

Lake Success, June 12.

An international conference to discuss technical aid to under-developed countries today rejected a Yugoslav demand to invite Chinese Communist representatives to attend. The demand was rejected by 26 votes to nine.

The Soviet Union, Poland, and Czechoslovakia stayed away from the conference which is being attended by members and non members of the United Nations.

The three-day meeting was called to find out how much money nations were prepared to pay into a pool to provide technical aid to under-developed countries.

Russia and her Eastern European partners failed to show up as representatives of some 70 nations began the conference.

The Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, giving full credit to President Truman whose "Point Four" programme provided the impetus for expanding the United Nations project, told the delegates that the General Assembly has declared that partition political considerations shall not enter into the conduct of this programme in any way.

The Chinese Nationalist delegation, whose continued presence in the United Nations was given in the reason for the 21-week-old Soviet boycott of the World Organisation, was in its place as the conference began. But the Russians and their Communist colleagues were conspicuously absent.

Poland, in demanding last week that Mr. Lie invite Mao Tse-tung's Chinese Communist regime, had indicated that the Soviet States would not attend the conference if the Nationalists were present.

It was the 33rd time that the Russians had exercised their boycott against a United Nations organ. It followed the same pattern the Kremlin decreed last winter when no Russian delegates showed up for the Trusteeship Council session in Geneva.

After hearing Mr. Lie's opening address, the conference unanimously elected Dr. Herman Santu Cruz of Chile as its chairman.

Most significant

Mr. Lie told the delegates that the technical assistance conference is potentially one of the most significant ever called by the United Nations.

He said: "It will mark the beginning of a new and expanded programme of technical assistance for economic development that can be made by the member nations into an increasingly powerful force for world peace."

Mr. Lie said that although the United Nations has been giving technical assistance since its start, its aid was on a limited scale and fell short of need. This conference, he said, was called to ascertain the total contributions to be made available by the world's Governments. A gross of more than \$20,000,000 is expected to be pledged, with the United States giving \$10,000,000 to \$12,500,000.

Mr. Lie said: "The impetus for this expansion was given by the President of the United States Mr. Harry Truman, in his inaugural address in January 1949. Even though the financial base at the beginning will be a comparatively modest one, this programme will develop into an effective instrument for progress toward higher standards of living and more security for both individuals and nations."

"First of all it is founded on the principle of universality—of contribution and of benefits... Under the United Nations programme, technical assistance for economic development cannot be used for purposes of domination or imperialism."

"I wish you well in your deliberations. You are participating in what should become—and can become—one of the world's greatest achievements for lasting peace and for social progress and better standards of life in the larger freedom proclaimed in the preamble of the United Nations Charter."

Yugoslavia immediately moved, and last, a proposal that the Chinese Communist Government be invited to send a representative to the conference. The vote favoring the Peking Communists was 26 to 9 with 13 abstentions.

The Yugoslav delegate then questioned the right of the delegate of Southern Korea to be present. He declared that the country of Korea is divided between the American-backed Southern Government and the Russian-backed Northern Government.

and that the question of Korean representation ought to be settled. Action on the issue was deferred.

Denmark, India, Indonesia, Israel, Norway, Burma, Sweden and Yugoslavia voted to invite the Chinese Communists.

U.S. pledge
The chief purpose of the conference was to formalise contributions informally pledged earlier by countries participating in the United Nations technical aid programme.

Mr. Wilfred Thorp, assistant Secretary of State for Eastern Affairs, set the pace for the conference when he pledged the United States to contribute \$10,000,000 to \$12,500,000 for the first period of the programme which will extend from July 1, 1950 to December 31, 1951.

He said: "Subject to Congressional appropriation the United States Government is prepared to contribute the sum of \$10,000,000 for the first period of operations provided that other countries here represented contribute a total of \$7,000,000 or its equivalent. My Government is prepared to raise

its contribution progressively up to \$12,500,000 provided that its share does not represent more than 60 per cent of the total amount pledged."

"The position of my Government is based upon the idea that the programme is an expression of international co-operation. At such, many countries must share in the responsibility for the programme and must contribute to it. It follows that no country must dominate the programme either in responsibility or contribution. At the same time, our position does indicate our great desire that the project be successful."

At the end of the first day's session a total of \$6,043,200 had been pledged to the fund, not including the U.S. pledge of \$10,000,000. With 16 countries having made pledges, the total with the U.S. minimum appropriation counted in, was \$16,043,200. This represented pledges as follows:

Australia \$400,000; Belgium \$270,000; Bolivia \$12,500; Brazil \$400,000; Canada \$750,000; Ethiopia \$20,000; France \$1,200,000; Iran \$40,000; the Netherlands \$400,000; Norway \$37,700; Pakistan \$151,500; Sweden, \$66,500; the United Kingdom \$2,100,000; the United States \$10,000,000; Venezuela \$40,000; Yugoslavia \$50,000.—United Press.

Cautious statement by Slim

Sydney, June 12.

Field-Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, refused to confirm or deny a statement attributed to him by an Egyptian newspaper that war is certain. The War Office in London has ordered an investigation of the remarks attributed to Sir William by the paper "Akbar el Yom" during his talks with Egyptian leaders on the defence of the Middle East.

Sir William said in an official statement on his arrival here that any remarks attributed to him were without official sanction.

He said: "I went to Cairo for defence talks. I made no statement whatever to any Egyptian or other newspaper about the defence talks in Egypt. I have no idea whether the Egyptian Commander-in-Chief, Haldar Pasha, made any statement. As far as I am aware, no person in any official position made any statement to any newspaper. Any statement which is made alleging what I said is without official sanction."

"Akbar el Yom" said Sir William also told Egyptian officials that the Russians could reach Egypt in four months, and the arrival of the Russian army on Egypt's borders is not at all in the interests of either Egypt or Britain.—United Press.

A gallant Prime Minister



The French Premier, Georges Bidault, shakes the hand of M. Vincent Auriol in the gracious old-fashioned style of French greeting, during President Auriol's reception for members of the French parliament at the Elysee Palace in Paris. President Auriol (at right) reaches out to shake hands with an unidentified woman at left. (AP Photo).

BIG THREE TALKS ON CHANGES IN GERMANY STATUTE

Washington, June 12.

The State Department said today that the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers would meet in New York, probably in August, for a follow-up conference on the results of their recent London meetings.

The State Department spokesman, Michael McDermott, said the British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, and the French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, would be in New York for the United Nations General Assembly meeting which convenes in September. The U.S. Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, will join them for pre-conference talks.

Tentative arrangements for the meeting were made during the Big Three talks in London. There has been no effort or suggestion to bring Russia into the conversations.

The State Department confirmed that the Big Three would discuss changes in the present occupation statute for Germany.

Mr. McDermott said the decision to do this was taken at the recent meeting in London of the British, French and American Foreign Ministers. Between the two meetings, the Allied High Commission and a special "working group" of Germany, established in London, are charged with deciding what new concessions Germany shall be granted.

According to official sources, several revisions in the present statute are contemplated, and if all goes well these may be implemented at the New York meeting which is expected to be held coincidental with the opening of the annual United Nations Assembly session.

Among proposals expected to be submitted to the Ministers then, although some may be approved sooner, are the following:

1. Establishment of a Western German Constabulary under central direction, or an increase in the authorized strength of the present police forces. Some estimates of the potential Constabulary under consideration have been as high as 25,000 men.

2. Provision for some form of German Foreign Affairs Ministry and delegation to the Germans of authority to deal with their own foreign affairs problems except for "restricted" areas such as undertaking of treaties.

3. Authorization for the Germans to build ships as large as they wish, provided they are for export sale. Present occupation laws limit the size of such ships to 7,000 tons.

4. Increased control by the Germans themselves of present restricted industries and possible increase in authorized steel production capacity.

5. Lifting of present restrictions on foreign investments in Germany. There were charges in reports that a plan for recognizing Germany to such investments has been prepared, but the timing of its implementation has yet to be decided.—United Press.

GENERAL ATTACKED BY REDS

Dusseldorf, June 12.

Two hundred blue-shirted Communist youths broke up a rally of Free Democrats at which the German former General H. von Manteuffel was supposed to speak tonight.

Carrying a blue flag made familiar during the Berlin White Sunday demonstration, the youths surged toward the platform when Manteuffel was seated, slugged the speaker with a microphone and forced Manteuffel himself to flee through a rear door under heavy police escort.

The old-time panzer general was to speak on "The Generation of the Front" in reference to the front lines during the last war. The meeting was in a restaurant called Old Town. More than 1,000 were present, half of whom seemed to be members of the "Free German Youth" Communist organization, who carried to the meeting in civilian clothes but shed their coats to reveal blue shirts when Manteuffel arrived.

They shouted, "Manteuffel, get out!" and "Halt the generals!" as they rushed the speaker's platform. Members of the Free Democrat Party who tried to intervene were hurled aside.—United Press.

PRESBYTERIAN CRITICISM

Melbourne, June 11.

A spokesman of the Presbyterian Church today criticised Australian ex-Servicemen and the Lord Mayor, Mr. A. H. Park, of Hobart, Tasmania, for their protests against the Australian visit of Dr. Michael Yashiro, the presiding Anglican Bishop in Japan.

The spokesman, the Reverend Alec Fraser, said that resentment at Dr. Yashiro's visit was giving the rest of the world the impression that Australians were "chauvinist people who, as a nation, have not yet grown up."

Dr. Yashiro, in Australia, for a Church of England Conference, is the first Japanese to be admitted to the country since the war. The 400,000-strong Returned Servicemen's League has protested against his admission.

Mr. Park, President of the Tasmanian Ex-Servicemen's Association, said on Friday that Dr. Yashiro's visit was a slur on the memory of the thousands of Australian soldiers who died in the Pacific.

He said the League would give the Bishop a "cold" reception and would not allow him to speak at any public function.

INDONESIA NOW ILO MEMBER

Geneva, June 12.

Indonesia was today voted into membership of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) after a long and hard fight. The Indonesian Labour Minister, working his country's case, said that the country's labour movement was now strong enough to handle the responsibilities of membership.

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EFFORT TO SAVE ARAB UNITY

Alexandria, June 12.

The Arab League Council tonight decided to refer back to its Political Committee the question of what action should be taken against Jordan, one of the seven members of the League.

The Council, from which Jordan was absent today, had met to discuss Egypt's demand that Jordan be expelled for incorporating Eastern Palestine without League sanction.

The powerful Political Committee will meet tomorrow to consider an Iraqi proposal to overcome Jordan's differences with the League.

After a one-hour opening meeting of the Council, Iraq's Deputy Prime Minister, Salih Jabur Bey, announced the decision to refer to the Committee the question whether or not Jordan should be expelled.

Egypt's proposal for expulsion of Jordan was made at a recent Cairo meeting of the Political Committee. Representatives of three countries—Saudi Arabia, Syria and the Lebanon—supported her.

Delegations of the other two League States—Iraq and Yemen—refused to commit themselves, saying that they would have to refer to their Governments for instructions.

A decision to expel Jordan would require the unanimous approval of all member States except Jordan herself.

The decision to refer the question to the Political Committee revived hopes in Egypt tonight that the Arab League's dispute with Jordan over the incorporation of Eastern Palestine may yet be solved.

After tonight's meeting of the Arab League Council, the Iraqi Minister Tawfik Suwaid, hinted that he had a secret proposal, details of which he refused to reveal, that might end the dispute.

He would submit the plan to the Political Committee and hoped it would be acceptable both to Egypt and Jordan. Iraq, which has royal family ties with King Abdullah of Jordan, has been working hard to find some formula that will save Jordan from being expelled from the League and preserve Arab unity in the Middle East.—Reuters.

Lake Success, June 12.

An Irish representative was seen here today for the first time in any major United Nations conference.

He was Mr. Hugh McCann, Counselor at the Irish Embassy in Washington and delegate to the international conference of technical assistance.

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REUTER MAN EXPLAINS HIS DEFECTION FROM THE BRITISH PRESS

Gradual conversion to Communist viewpoint

Berlin, June 12.

Mr. John Peet, Reuter's chief correspondent in Berlin, announced today that he "could no longer serve the Anglo-American warmongers." He made the announcement at a Press conference called by Herr Hans Eisler, head of the East German (pro-Soviet) Information Department. Mr. Peet thus, in effect, severed his connection with the British Press, which he had served as a Reuter correspondent in Europe for the past four years.

Speaking in German, he said: "As a Western journalist, I have become automatically and increasingly a tool of the American-controlled war machine. As an English patriot, democrat and friend of peace, I cannot continue along this path."

Mr. Peet said that the "last straw" was the "lying and warmongering reports in the Western Press of the great Whitman Youth peace demonstration in Berlin."

"The Anglo-American Occupation policies in Germany are aimed at making Western Germany the jumping off ground for a new war." He asserted the conference that he had not been influenced in his decision by "Russian money or Central Asiatic truth drugs."

The German staff in Reuter's Berlin Office were taken by surprise when Mr. Peet rang them up from the building of the East German Government Information Service to give them the news of his action.

At today's Press conference, which Western correspondents described as a "well laid-out affair," East Berlin journalists turned up in great numbers and an East German news-reel cameraman was also present.

Gradual process

Mr. Peet told a colleague immediately after the Press conference that he had been "gradually converted" by the East German Government, and that he would remain in Berlin to work as a journalist under Herr Eisler.

He said he began negotiations with Herr Eisler directly after the Whitman Rally. He would not return to Reuter's Office or the West side of the town.

Later this afternoon, Reuter's chief representative in Germany, Mr. Alfred Geiringer, spoke to Mr. Peet from Frankfurt on the telephone. Mr. Peet told Mr. Geiringer he had nothing to add to the statement he had made, but went on: "My conversion was a gradual development. It took some time to mature."

He said he kept it a "complete secret from everybody, even my personal friends about his family. When asked about his family, he said: 'It does not matter because I am separating from my wife anyway.'"

In his Press conference statement today, Mr. Peet said that he had been told that Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, the Western Union defence chief, considered that a German Army should be set up as soon as possible, and that this would not take very long now.

"Freedom for warmongers"

He went on: "When I became a Reuter correspondent in 1945, I hoped that, by means of objective reporting from Vienna, Warsaw and Berlin, I could play my small part in helping a peaceful development of Europe and the world."

"At first, in the immediate post-war years, this was to some extent possible, but slowly I discovered that messages which spoke favourably about developments, for instance, in the German Democratic Republic, were being suppressed by the newspapers."

"Every Western journalist, if he is honest, can only laugh sadly at the so-called Western freedom

of the Press. There is a freedom only for the warmongers, and we, the correspondents, are paid to supply the sort of stories that they like."

"But we have no freedom to report truly what is, in fact, going on or to fight for peace."

"I can no longer supply the warmongers with weapons. Thirteen years ago I went to Spain to fight as a simple British democrat in the ranks of the International Brigade for peace and a better world."

"The democratic forces lost that stage of the fight, but we shall win the fight for peace which is now in full swing."

Mr. Peet declared that he had never been a member of the Communist Party.

Mr. Geiringer added that when he questioned Mr. Peet about the Berlin Office, Mr. Peet said he had left no loose ends.

Mr. Robert Peet, Reuter's news editor in Germany—who is based in Frankfurt—also spoke with Mr. Peet, who reiterated that his decision was not a sudden one.

A Quaker

Mr. Peet was born at Sydenham, London, and is 34 years of age. He comes from a Quaker family, was educated at a Friends (Quaker) school in Yorkshire, where his father, Mr. Hubert W. Peet, was for 17 years editor of "The Friends," a British Quaker weekly, from which he retired at the end of last year.

Mr. Peet served in the International Brigade during the Spanish Civil War from 1937 to 1938, after which he joined the Palestine police force in 1939, working with the Criminal Investigation Department at the Public Information Office in Jerusalem.

He later joined the British Mandatory Government, where he was news editor from 1943 to 1945, and was in the editorial control of Radio Jerusalem.

He joined Reuters in 1945 and was assigned a few months later to the Vienna Reuter Office, where he remained for a year before taking up an appointment in the Warsaw Office in December, 1946.

Mr. Peet was in Warsaw until the latter part of 1947, when he was brought back to London for a short period of duty on the London desk before joining the Berlin staff.

He returned to Warsaw in February, 1948, to marry the Countess Christ Oudenius, who then joined him in Berlin.

Mrs. Peet is at present in Vienna.

Mr. Peet resigned his membership of the Society of Friends (a Quaker organisation) several years ago.

"My England a colony"

A version of the Press conference issued by DPA, the West German news agency, said that Herr Eisler thanked Mr. Peet for his "courageous words" and appealed to all the representatives of the Western Press "to break with the warmongers and tell the German people the truth about the dangers lying in Western imperialism."

When Mr. Peet said that his family in England would not be exposed to any threats as a result of his decision, Mr. Eisler interjected: "The British have not yet progressed as far as the Americans."

ADN, the East German (pro-Soviet) news agency, quoted Mr. Peet's statement in full.

According to this version, Mr. Peet declared "The once proud and independent British Empire now follows the slightest word from the American mouth." He declared, "threatens not only the Soviet Union and the People's Democratic Countries, but is well on the way to changing my country, my England, into a powerless American colony."

Mrs. John Peet, the former Countess Christ Oudenius, said in Vienna today that she was terribly shocked when she heard the news of her husband's action in Berlin.

"So that is why he sent me away to Vienna," she said, adding: "We are getting a divorce anyway."

Mrs. Peet is staying with her parents in Vienna, together with her child by her first marriage. She was Mrs. Peet's second wife.

Mental stress

Mr. Alfred Geiringer, Reuter's chief representative in Germany, said in a statement tonight: "John Peet had always been a completely objective correspondent in Berlin and until a few weeks ago had shown an equitable temperament."

"Recently, however, he seemed to be under some mental stress which his colleagues attributed to his serious domestic trouble and a recurrence of malaria from which he suffered in the Middle East."

"Whatever views he might have held privately, he never failed to seek and record objectively both the Allied and the Soviet attitudes every time the 'cold war' flared up in Berlin."

"Neither in his writing nor in conversation had he ever given any sign of sympathy for the Communist regime. He appreciated its good points but never glossed over what seemed to him to be bad."

"He was strongly attached to the cultural life of Berlin and particularly appreciated the theatre and music in the Soviet sector, which he regarded as of high quality."

Statement by Reuters

Reuters Headquarters in London, which received the news this afternoon, comments as follows:

1. Mr. Peet's action comes as a complete surprise. None of his British or American newspaper and news agency colleagues in Germany apparently had any forewarning or inkling of the fact that he had any pronounced political views.

His news messages have always been accurate, impartial and beyond reproach.

During the war he was a British Government employee in Palestine. He joined Reuters in London in 1945. He has been one of Reuters team of reporters in Germany for the past two and a half years.

2. Mr. Peet ceases to have any connection with Reuters from today.

3. Reuters' chief representative in Germany is going to Berlin from Frankfurt, and will temporarily take charge of the Reuter Office in Berlin. Mr. Peet's replacement, Mr. H. J. Henry, of Reuter's Frankfurt Office, has already taken over the news service from Berlin.—Reuter.

Queen Mother votes



Warm sunshine drew most of Belgium's 5,000,000 voters early to the polls to cast their ballots in the nation's third legislative election since 1945. The election is also the third within a year. Main issue was a solution to the question of King Leopold's abdication or return. There were four contending parties: Christian Social (Catholic); Liberal Socialist; and Communist—no independents or splinter groups. The three-edged election decided the composition of the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Provincial Councils. Photo shows: Queen Mother Elisabeth hands in her vote in Brussels. (Associated Press Photo.)

Kremlin meeting of the Russian Parliament

Moscow, June 12.

The Nationalities Council of the Supreme Soviet met in the Grand Palace of the Kremlin at 8 p.m. today and adjourned at 9.20. It adopted an agenda similar to the Union Council's. The Councils will meet jointly tomorrow.

The formal session of the second post-war Soviet Parliament opened with a meeting of the Union Council in the marble-walled, crystal-chandeliered former St. Andrew's Hall of the Kremlin.

Proceedings were started by the oldest member of the Supreme Soviet a few minutes after the appearance on the dais of the Politburo members, when some 2,000 Deputies and guests stood and gave them an ovation.

The United States Ambassador, Alan Kirk, the British Charge d'Affaires, John Nichols, and other Western envoys sat in the diplomatic gallery. Spectators included the visiting Finnish Premier, Urho Kekkonen, and the Foreign Trade Minister, Onni Toivonen, who earlier had visited Lenin's mausoleum and the Fine Arts Museum, now exhibiting the vast collection of gifts to Stalin from all countries presented on his 70th birthday in December 1949.

Vyacheslav Molotov and other Politburo members sat in the central section of the dais, flanked by members of the Council of Ministers. They were Malenkov, Beria, Voroshilov, Andreiye, Mikoyan, Kaganovich, Shvernik and Voroshilov.

Stalin praised

The session was opened by Alexander Palladin, oldest member of the Supreme Soviet, who hailed the achievements of the Soviet Union in the past four years with over-fulfilment of the five-year plan, resulting in both re-

construction and a higher living standard.

He particularly stressed the country's scientific progress, which he said was up to and surpassing the standards of the most advanced foreign countries. Palladin said the new era of humanity—the Communist era—was linked with Stalin's name. He then mentioned the struggle for the peace and happiness of mankind, which he said was possible only under Socialism.

Every mention of Stalin brought long standing ovations.—United Press.

Cotton prospects in China

San Francisco, June 13. Communist China expects 650,000 tons of raw cotton to be harvested before the Autumn, unless unpredictable natural disasters occur, Peking Radio reported tonight. It said that cotton had been planted on more than 3,455,000 hectares of land this year—a figure exceeding the original plan by over 150,000 hectares.

The 650,000 tons of raw cotton expected to be harvested before the autumn would ensure an adequate supply of the commodity for all Chinese textile mills, the Radio added.

It also said that a reasonable cotton price had been fixed in relation to grain prior to the planting. In many places purchase contracts had been signed between peasants and Government-owned trading concerns—a great encouragement to peasants to plant cotton.—Reuter.

ANGLO-U.S. ATTITUDE ON GUINEA

Washington, June 12.

United States officials strongly denied today that they were backing either side in the Dutch-Indonesian negotiations over the control of Dutch New Guinea.

Any assertion that the United States was supporting Indonesian claims to that territory were entirely without foundation. The United States' attitude in the case is one of complete neutrality and the Americans have no intention of bringing any pressure to bear.

Recalling that at the time of the Hague conference late last year, it was agreed that the Dutch and Indonesians would be given a year to attempt to work out a solution of the problem as to which should have Dutch New Guinea, officials said that if the two parties failed to come to an understanding then it would be up to the United Nations Commission to assist them in reaching a settlement. They refused to predict what attitude the United States would take if the United Nations had to consider the problem.

The British attitude as reported by Embassy officials here is practically the same as that of the United States. British officials believed that nothing should be done to disturb the Dutch-Indonesian discussions on New Guinea at least until the next meeting of the United Nations General Assembly.

Both American and British Governments are said to recognise that Australia, as possessor of a contiguous territory in New Guinea, naturally has great interest in the disposition of Dutch New Guinea.—United Press.

London, June 12. Mr. Krishna Menon, Indian High Commissioner, had a long talk with the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, at No. 10 Downing Street today.—Reuter.

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HONG KONG IS BY-PASSED

The Secretary of State for the Colonies and the War Secretary delivered themselves with unusual volubility on the subject of Malaya when they returned to London. They made no reference whatever to Hong Kong except on the necessity of building married quarters for the troops here. Since it is mostly bad news nowadays that makes for publicity, Hong Kong has no reason to begrudge the overwhelming prominence of Malaya. Indeed the longer we can go along on our quiet way the better while we await the outcome of the new turn in the situation in China, and see more clearly what it may mean in trade improvement or otherwise and, let us hope, in more neighbourly relations.

Some of the political cognoscenti have made it clear they would like a little more light on their favourite topic; the question of a Constitution for the Colony. The Committee of the Reform Club were out of luck in their attempts to buttonhole the War Secretary on the subject. When told that Mr. Strachey came here solely to discuss the problems of his own Ministry, they argued that as a member of the Cabinet he is responsible in part for any Constitutional reform in Hong Kong. Actually though of Cabinet rank, he is not a member of the Cabinet, in which the armed services are represented now by the overall Defence Minister.

It was also contended that political stability is an essential feature of the defence system. That is true enough, though it is equally true that the creation of Constitutions does not always make either for harmony or for stability. The most remarkable feature of the position is the secretiveness observed on almost all sides in the Government, and the apparent lack of general interest on the part of the general public, who seem quite content to leave the matter to small groups whose pet hobby it is.

The most significant recent utterance on the question was the statement extorted from the Minister of State for the Colonies, Mr. Dugdale by a Labour back-bencher who may perhaps have been "inspired" by interested circles here. He indicated, that Whitehall is leaving it to Hong Kong, and would not impose upon the community here some form of Government they were not yet ready to accept. The indication was that important elements in Hong Kong still differ on the matter, as they did when it was a much liver topic than it is at present and as, no doubt, they still do. There is, for example, the different emphasis placed by some people on the proposed Municipal Council and by others on the Legislative Council, and the dispute on who is to get voting rights.

On the other hand, there is a feeling that the Colonial Office is dodging the post and exploiting what is, after all, not such a bad pretext in order to avoid possible further complications. It has not always been so squeamish—the Constitution imposed upon Malaya immediately after the war is a case in point. But the very unhappy consequences, perhaps, taught

Behind the Iron Curtain—No. 1:

LIFE IN ONE OF RUSSIA'S PUPPET STATES

Where they talk about liberty and really mean tyranny...

Where they march to the theatres in threes...

Where a trade union card is a matter of life and death.

How do people live behind the Iron Curtain? I cannot speak about Russia, because I have never been there.

But I do know about Hungary. I lived and worked there for years.

Hungary is one of Russia's puppet states, a "people's democracy." The first thing to notice about this people's democracy is that nobody can tell you what it is. Lots of people will spend a lot of time trying to define it. George Dimitroff, who died in Russia while under medical treatment (some people think his malady was a small hole in the head; about calibre .45), once spent more than an hour in a Party Congress trying to define a people's democracy. He was not specially successful.

I would not attempt a definition. I don't suppose my friends in Hungary would attempt it either. But we can tell you how it works. It sounds good. The right to work, for instance, is constitutionally guaranteed to every citizen. But if a citizen is denounced in his factory—and there are many reasons, including personal spite for denunciation—his trade union card is withdrawn. Without a trade union card he cannot get any kind of work. Without a trade union card he cannot get any kind of State relief. So he starves.

The wise citizen

So the wise citizen takes good care not to be denounced. So he votes the party line. And so the people's democracy presents a united front to the world.

It is as simple as all that. It is as unobscure as, as brilliantly, successful as it sounds.

By perverting trusted political ideals, like democracy and the right to work, it has produced a topsy-turvy land where no-one knows any more what words mean. You can read the Party text books and the constitution and you could reasonably think that here is the Promised Land. You have to live in it to know that the reality is the bondage in Egypt.

It is a bondage that takes in every phase of life. It even takes in going to the pictures.

Party secretaries are given blocks of free tickets for theatres, for instance, and the tickets are distributed among the members.

For the lesson. The Malays boycotted this Constitution, and the Government had to get out another Constitution which, though it was the outcome of much consultation with all concerned, still did not satisfy everybody. And the latest developments in Malaya indicate that this thorny problem is still very much alive and as dangerous as ever to stability.

Malaya, of course, has racial problems that do not exist here—apart altogether from the dire emergency which now necessarily takes precedence of everything. As Mr. Griffiths said with blunt truth, unless the jungle war is won talk of Constitutions and political reforms will be quite superfluous. Mystification over the silence and inactivity that have fallen upon the local scene would probably be dispelled, at least in part, by the assumption that the chief source of anxiety in cautious minds is not the extent of the suffrage, though that can be serious enough in the production of controversy, but the danger of direct elections and of pressure from outside.

One of the local bodies, indeed, made the review of the Treaties one of its planks. To transform a diplomatic issue which is merely potential, but not actual, into a capital question of domestic policy would be disastrous. That is one of the reasons why the Malayan type of Constitution would be more suitable as a temporary solution. The first gives representation to practically every form of interest and activity without the dangers of demagoguery, the formation of Parties, and the habits of the hustings—with only a feeble response on the part of the electorate.

This is the first in a series of articles describing life in one of Russia's puppet states. The author has only recently left Hungary, where he lived and worked for many years.

Then the members form up in threes outside the secretary's office and are marched off to enjoy themselves.

But nights are dark in Hungary, as they are everywhere else, and it is not always that a full muster reaches the free seats to swallow their dose of culture.

Cinemas mostly show Russian films, although there are occasional French and British pictures.

The Russian films are very unpopular. A friend of mine once went out of curiosity because he had heard that there were never more than five people present at a Russian film. He found this was untrue—the night he went there were seven other people in the place besides himself.

"Hamlet" problem

"Hamlet" caused a great problem. It was immensely popular and played for weeks. Its popularity showed no sign of diminishing so it had to be taken off.

Sport is also becoming "organised" under the trades unions and the Secretary of State for Sport. Sportsmen must be ideologically pure according to Communist standards and are not allowed to

take part in international competitions if they aren't.

In any case, they can leave the country only if they intend to return and if they have an odds on chance of winning.

The exception to this rule is a visit to Russia. There, they must gracefully acknowledge defeat and come back singing the praises of Russian skill. As both, the Hungarian tennis player who did so well at Wimbledon, and that the standard of tennis in Moscow was higher than anything he had seen elsewhere.

Football is still very popular in Hungary. The State-run football pool—called the "Toto"—has a wide clientele though the cost per line is much higher than in Great Britain, and the stakes returned much smaller.

Since there were not sufficient Hungarian matches of doubtful outcome to make up a good coupon, at one time games from the Scottish and English leagues were put in.

This caused complications because tipsters knew of Arsenal and Rangers, and could make a fair attempt at saving the names, but were hopelessly stuck with Leicester City. Even if they listened to the BBC they still could not check their coupons.

Family life in Australia

The Australian housewife is finding more and more reasons now to sing about her work. She cannot buy rice yet for her rice-puddings, and she cannot get cream, but almost everything else is getting back to pre-war normal.

She has no shopping queue and almost no rationing. Butter and tea are still "on coupons," but everything else is "free" and available in unlimited quantities. Prices are all up, but so are wages, so the family budget is not greater a worry than it used to be.

Compared with her sisters in most other parts of the world, Mrs. Albert Jones, of suburban Sydney, is what she would describe as "on a good wicket."

"Home body"

Mrs. Jones, our typical housewife, lives in a red brick detached cottage in a middle-class residential suburb. She has two children and her tradesman husband earns £9 a week. She goes to the cinema on average one night each fortnight, she spends a few hours each week in her garden and she does her own housework.

She has a car to do ironing or cleaning for four hours each week and she is saving for a 10-h.p. car.

Mrs. Jones tends to be more of a homebody than her opposite numbers in some countries. Her suburb is more thinly populated and frailer, all during the morning. Bread is 7d. for a 2lb. loaf, and you can get it in all shops, sizes and colours, from crisp white rolls to big wholemeal loaves.

Milk is 10d. a quart, and Mrs. Jones gets 2 quarts. Fruit and vegetables are not cheap. Lettuce may cost from 4d. to 1s. depending upon the season; tomatoes 1s. 6d. and bananas and pineapples pawpaws and apples and oranges are fairly inexpensive—and you can buy them almost all the year. You don't have to go shopping for these things—home deliveries are the standard thing; the "fruits" always has his sample baskets loaded.

She has a small electric refrigerator, but, generally speak-

Jobless graduates

America's universities and colleges will produce a record crop of graduates this year. It will include the peak wave of young ex-Servicemen who went to college at Government expense after the war.

In June more than 1,250 institutions of higher learning will award 487,000 degrees. This is 64,000 more than last year, and 108,000 more than in 1948.

But, writes Clifford Huille, many of the graduates will add themselves to the 4,128,000 Americans who were seeking work in March.

At the same time thousands of young people leaving secondary schools will want work. The June total of unemployed, therefore, is expected to exceed 6,000,000.

Job competition for the newcomers will be tough, and there is great concern for workers over 45, who, partly because of pension plans, are finding it more difficult to get work once they are laid off.

ing, cooks with a gas-stove of English design and Australian manufacture. She has a water-heater over bath and sink, and she wants an electric washing-machine for the laundry. She cannot afford the £100-odd for it yet, so she still does her laundry in a gas-boller and concrete tubs.

By Arthur Morley

It's not the routine that would send you delirious with excitement, but Mrs. Jones finds it comfortable, pleasant and easy on the nerves.

What are the main difficulties of housekeeping? Rent is 30s. to £2 for an average cottage. Furniture is dear, and so are domestic machines and gadgets. Home-building is a heart-breaker because of rising costs—you can kiss £2,000 good-bye if you build a two-bedroom home.

Home builders

A lot of Australian couples are building their own homes, at week-ends and in their spare time, with the housewife acting as general hod-carrier and bulldozer's assistant. They seem to enjoy it, and certainly enjoy a sense of personal accomplishment.

All told, Australia's typical Mrs. Jones doesn't have a bad time. The climate is mild; there are the beaches and near-by countryside for week-end relaxation.

And if she cannot get much domestic help (maids are as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth), she has come to regard pitching in and doing one's own work as being part of the natural order of things.

After lunch Mrs. Jones goes to the local shopping centre. Butcher first stop. There is always a wide choice, but she has to watch prices closely.

Plenty of roasting fowls, but they're too dear at 17s. 6d. Leg of lamb is 9s. 6d. so Mrs. Jones decides on corned beef.

Enough for one hot meal, one cold meal and some sandwiches costs 7s. 6d. She gets sixpenny-worth of soup meat (beef shin) and 1s. worth of pork sausages for breakfast.

Then the grocer, with his shelves loaded with all the goods Mrs. Jones could not get in the years just after the war. Biscuits are back; so are tinned meats, fruits, vegetables, soups, cheeses, sausages, matches, cigarettes.

Quiet routine

Home again, to wait for the children. School is over at 3.30 p.m. Then there is dinner to cook—much the same recipe and cooking methods as in Britain, with meat and two vegetables, potatoes and a hot drink to finish.

Worse than that, these matches were causing an interest in the West which could become dangerous to political orthodoxy. So they were withdrawn from the coupons and the names of Russian teams substituted.

These were even less known to the tipsters, but at least they were ideologically safe.

Foreign broadcasts

In Hungary they all listen to foreign radio broadcasts. So far there is no law against it, but for all that one dare not do it too openly.

There is a story told of a countryman who came up to Budapest in the evening, stopped a policeman and asked him the time. The policeman, without looking at his watch, glanced up at a block of flats and said: "About half-past eight."

"Marvelous," said the peasant, "how do you know that?"

"Well," said the policeman, "they've all closed their windows so the London programme must be coming on."

It is a good story. But it has its pitiful side. Budapest workers may not be believing Communists but there are a lot of good actors.

And the really tragic part of it is that they have to be.

The Red moll of the jungle

By GERRARD BARRY

Four bandits—one a lovely woman—walked recently into a Malay woman's hut, shot one child and stabbed another.

Then, as the screaming mother fled in horror, the woman bandit killed her.

That bandit is 25-year-old Samnah Boersman, Malaya's leading gun-moll, who has a price of 2,000 Malayan dollars on her head.

I must have seen the young Samnah many times in the days when I used to visit the Malay vernacular Kampong schools in the 'thirties.

She must have been like any other Malay schoolgirl—a laughing golden-brown child, with deep black eyes and a golden anklet ring on her tiny feet.

She was lovely and innocent then, and I wonder how often white women, looking at her and her friends playing happily in the sun, must have said: "They're lovely. What a pity they have to grow up!"

What a pity Samnah had to grow up. It has cost the lives of scores of white people and natives.

Samnah first came into prominence when Boersman, her Indonesian journalist husband, was given a stiff jail sentence for sedition in Perak, the state where Samnah was born. She fled from Perak Eastwards to Pahang and to-day hunts the jungle as co-leader with Chi' Dar bin Abdullah, also from Perak, of a gang 40 or 50 strong.

When she visits the towns along the Singapore-Siam railway in the Triang-Jerantut area she dresses in a gaily-coloured sarong that reaches to her ankles, and perches a red hibiscus flower in her hair.

She dusts her face with rice powder, blackens her eye-brows with kohl, and wears orange-yellow lipstick.

Under her sarong, strapped to a belt about her waist, hang two hand grenades.

In the jungle she wears Communist bandits' uniform—a shirt and slacks fastened at the ankles. And the grenades hang from her wrist in full view.

Exactly which deeds of violence committed in the Triang-Jerantut area are due to Samnah and her gang is not known, but these atrocities are almost certainly her work.

On the mountainous fringes of Pahang live the Sakais. They are a timid, lovable, backward people.

One day a gang broke into a Sakai village, dragged out 34 of the natives, forced them at gun-point to dig their graves, then shot the defenceless natives into them.

In March this year a train was derailed south of Mentakab after an explosion. A considerable was killed.

In October last year two people were killed and 10 others injured when bandits stopped a train between Jerantut and Mentakab.

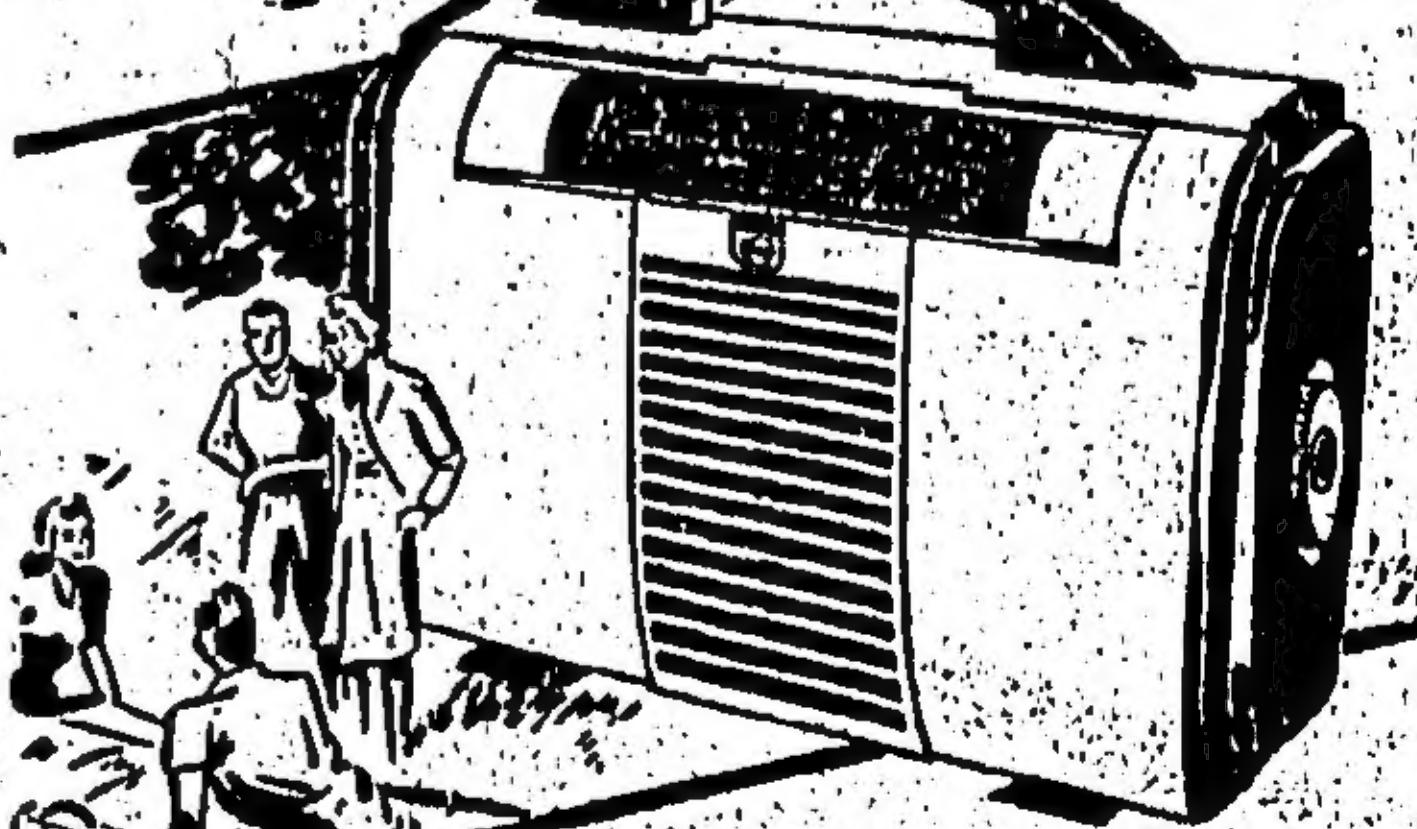
The day before the same bandits robbed one rubber estate and killed two Chinese on a second.

A month earlier 15 people—including two Europeans—were killed when bandits attacked Kuala Krau on that same railway line.

The town was occupied by the bandits, the telephone wires cut, the railway track torn up and the police station burned down.

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EUROPEAN ECONOMIC UNION REJECTED BY THE LABOUR PARTY

London, June 12.

The Labour Party for the first time today openly rejected current schemes for the complete political and economic union of Europe. It turned down any idea of taking part in a European Parliament with legislative powers, and in effect repudiated British participation in any European experiment not founded broadly on Socialist principles. The policy statement—contained in a 6,500-word booklet entitled "European Unity"—is expected to create controversy, both in Parliament here and in the Council of Europe when its Consultative Assembly meets in August at Strasbourg.

PACIFIC PACT A "MUST"

Ottawa, June 12.

The Australian Air Minister, T.W. White, told the Press today that a Pacific defence pact was imperative because Asian nations cannot stand alone against the sweep of Communism in South East Asia.

"All the free nations of the world must co-operate if the march of Communism in the East is to be halted," said Mr. White.

Any arrangements for a Pacific pact should include provisions for the interchange of military personnel among signatory nations such as now exist between the Australian and British Air Forces, he continued. Such a plan, if carried out also with Canada and the United States, would tend to strengthen Empire relations. He would discuss it with Canadian defence leaders.

Mr. White is in Canada for the International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly in Montreal.

He said there was little chance for the sale to Australia of Canada's twin-engine jet fighter, the CF-100. The Australian Air Force planned to use Britain's single-engine Hawker fighter and the twin-engine Canberra bomber.—United Press.

CHINESE RULING ON WOOLLENS

San Francisco, June 12. Exportable Chinese woolen goods would be exempted from Customs duty and the woolen textile industry in China could apply for imports from foreign countries.

These were two of the decisions taken at a meeting in Peking recently of representatives of China's woolen and linen textile industries, according to Peking Radio tonight. The decisions were aimed at the revival and development of the industries.

The meeting "recognised that China's woolen industry had been heavily dependent on imperialist countries and that it would have a bright future and was expected to expand as soon as new hump supplies were available on the market.—Reuter.

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No general election until 1951?

London, June 12. The Food Minister, Mr. Maurice Webb, today forecast that the Labour Government would continue in office well into the next year. Mr. Webb, until recently Chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party, told a meeting at Catford, London: "This Government is going to go on much longer than a lot of people fear. The Government will choose the moment for the election, not the newspapers," he said. "We shall decide when we want another mandate, not the Opposition."—Reuter.

ILLEGAL RADIOS IN CEYLON

Ceylon, June 12.

Post Office officials are trying to track down and close 28 illegal radio transmitters operating in Ceylon, some of which are broadcasting to Russia.

The officials have no evidence that the illegal Ceylon stations and the Government-supervised Russian stations exchange anything more than the usual technical details about reception and operation that radio "hams" usually discuss, but none of the stations is officially listed and it is extremely difficult to monitor them. Some may be transmitting information which licensed stations are forbidden to handle.

Postal officials got their first lead on illegal stations when post cards addressed to call signs not included in the 72 licensed Ceylon transmitters began to arrive at the Post Office, some of them from Russia. They were the usual "ham" type, dealing only with the quality of reception, but officials suspect that persons in Ceylon, believed to have contacts with Russia, may be using these illegal transmitters.

The police have pointed out that all radio "hams" in Russia are carefully inspected and thoroughly controlled by the Government, to whom they must report all contacts with foreign stations.

Some illegal Ceylon transmitters are believed to be in the Jaffna area in North Ceylon and are probably being used by smugglers. The Army, RAF and Navy may be asked to assist in the hunt for them.

Several million rupees worth of radio equipment, including a large number of British Army transmitters, were sold to the public after the war by the British Disposals Board. Some of this equipment, probably is being used by the illegal stations.—United Press.

BANDIT'S LETTER TO COURT

Viterbo, June 12. The Sicilian bandit chief, Salvatore Giuliano, sent a letter today to a Court trying him and 36 of his alleged henchmen for murder.

Giuliano, being tried in his absence along with nine others, said in his letter that he hoped the Judge and Jury would refrain from political bias during the trial.

All the 37 are accused of 11 murders in the machine-gunning of a peasants' labour rally at Portofino della Ginestra on May 31, 1947.

The letter from Giuliano is the first that the police have heard of him for five months, since the release of his mother from prison. There is some speculation that he may have fled from his Sicilian hide-out at Montepore to North Africa.—Reuter.

AGNES SMEDLEY LIQUIDATED BY THE RUSSIANS?

Peoria, Illinois, June 12.

Representative Harold H. Velde, Republican of Illinois, believes that Agnes Smedley, the writer, was "liquidated" on the eve of leaving England to testify before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

Mr. Velde told a reporter that the Committee had documents which indicated she might have made valuable disclosures on Soviet espionage in Asia.

"Events lead me to believe that she was liquidated," Mr. Velde told a reporter.

"I would not say I am firmly convinced of it, because I have no evidence whatsoever. But her health apparently was good, and her death was unexpected. It seems to me that the British authorities would not be wrong in making a careful investigation of her death."

Miss Smedley died on May 6. Her death was not made public until two days later, and the British Press Association said then that she had succumbed in an Oxford nursing home. No cause of death was given.

China veteran

The Chinese Communist radio at Peking announced on May 13 that Miss Smedley, who was 56 at the time of her death, worked for years in China and wrote many books and articles on Chinese affairs.

In February, 1949, Miss Smedley was named in a U.S. Army report as a wartime Soviet Government agent in Shanghai. She denounced this as a lie.

Later the Army retracted the charges and said it had no proof to back up its statement.

Death followed operation

It was learned in London today that Miss Smedley died on May 6, two days after an operation for stomach ulcers.

It was disclosed tonight that a medical certificate was made out after a post mortem. The certificate gave the cause of death as broncho pneumonia, acute cardiac failure and operation of partial gastrectomy.

An informed source said "Her death certificate was made out after a post mortem carried out by one of the outstanding pathologists at Oxford."

"Her friends and solicitors here were informed and everything was in order," Miss Smedley died on a Saturday. Her death did not become public until Monday morning.

At that time, the hospital did not announce the cause of death. Such information is usually not given out by British hospitals as it is considered private information to be given only to the next of kin.

The American writer was cremated by an Oxford undertaker who reported that the usual burial certificate was furnished and was in order. Burial certificates in Britain are signed by the attending physician, but they do not give the cause of death.—Associated Press.

NAZI EXECUTED

Rastatt, June 12. The former Commandant of the Ravensbrueck concentration camp, Fritz Suhr, and the camp's labour chief, Hans Pfann, were executed here today by a French firing squad, the West German news agency, D.P., reported. They had been sentenced to death for war crimes by a French Court on May 13.—Reuter.

PEANUT SCHEME REPORT

London, June 12.

The basic fault in Britain's vast groundnuts scheme in East Africa was the failure to realise the impracticability of the original plan, Parliament's Committee of Public Accounts reported today.

The Overseas Food Corporation received £34,650,000 from public funds up to April '21 this year, the Committee said, without any appreciable revenue from the scheme.

The Committee's report gave the reasons for the disappointing results as:

1.—The impossibility in the time available for preparation and planning.

2.—Conditions of soil and climate which were far less favourable than suggested by the report of the Wakefield Mission which turned out to be seriously misleading.

(The Wakefield Mission investigated the original plan and recommended that it be enlarged.)

The Overseas Food Corporation in charge of the groundnuts scheme in East Africa tonight announced it had appointed a working party to obtain advice on policy.

Members will include Dr. H. H. Storey, deputy director of the East African Research Organisation, Mr. A. N. P. Hutt, Member for Development, Tanganyika Government, and Mr. J. C. Muir, Member for Agriculture, Tanganyika Government.—Associated Press.

DUTCH AGREEMENT WITH PORTUGAL

The Hague, June 12.

The Dutch and Portuguese Governments exchanged notes here today approving an agreement on trade between the two countries for the period July 1, 1950, to July 1, 1951.

New lists of goods have been drawn up and adapted to measures taken by the OEEC countries to liberalise trade.

It is expected that trade will reach a volume of 25,000,000 guilders each way annually.

Holland will supply cattle, potatoes, beer, milk, butter, cheese, machines, sugar, beet seed and other seeds, flower bulbs, petroleum and lubricating oils, chemical and pharmaceutical products, textiles, paints and enamels and metal products.

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Stanley's offer for Paris store purchase

Paris, June 12.

Sidney Stanley, key figure in a 1948 British inquiry into alleged corruption of Government officials, has made an offer to buy the bankrupt Bon Marche department store in Paris.

Stanley was reported to have made his offer in the name of a syndicate.

The official liquidating the firm for the court said that the syndicate which Stanley heads includes American capital, but no amplification could be obtained.

Stanley disappeared from England in the spring of 1949, a few days before he was due to appear in court in a bankruptcy case. He passed through Paris and then went to Israel.

Stanley appeared in a French court today in connection with a complaint he has filed against Bernard and Liebel Silverstein, accusing them of kidnapping him on April 1, 1949 and stealing money and jewels from him.

The Silversteins countered with a complaint against Stanley alleging defamation of character. The examining magistrate told Stanley today of the result of investigation in the case and Stanley asked for a delay to collect his documents and English witnesses.

When asked about the Bon Marche offer, Stanley said he had engaged in business deals which were the Bon Marche and I have succeeded in putting them on their feet. The Bon Marche can become one of the biggest department stores in Europe because its personnel is very loyal.

Stanley is commonly referred to in France as the "English Slavsky". Stanley made known his displeasure with this appellation, saying: "Slavsky is dead. I am very alive and will prove it. Nothing to reproach me."

Reports that Stanley is conducting negotiations for purchasing the Bon Marche were carried in the U.S. paper "Women's Wear Daily" today.

The report from a Paris correspondent of the paper quoted Raymond Boise, chairman of the Bon Marche's Creditors Committee.

Stanley is said to be negotiating on behalf of a syndicate which includes American capital.—Associated Press.

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Woman Today

NO NEED TO SAVE THEM FOR A RAINY DAY

By
Margaret Soerman

Sunshine coats, I would
call them—but they are
listed as rainwear in my
programme, because they
are shower-proof.

They were shown recently at
Grosvenor House in London by
the Rubber Proofed Garment
Manufacturers' Association, which
is taking part, for the first time,
in the London Fashion Fortnight.

The object of the show was to
emphasise the glamour and
fashion-consciousness which Brit-
ish manufacturers are bringing
to rainy-occasion clothes—and to
sell these clothes to overseas
buyers.

I am delighted that Britain is
increasing her exports in rain
wear—as, indeed, she is—but,
seriously, I am even more delig-
ted to see the final curtain drawn
on the "Where's my mac" era in
Britain.

For some of the gay and
charming outfits shown are short-
ly to be available and they are
stylish in their own right, regard-
less of weather.

In Britain they are more likely to
find the rubberised single texture
rainwear—in nylon, poplin, spun
silk—than the shower-proof
coats, which are usually in wool
or cotton gaberdine.

A rubberised coat means an
actual, coating of waterproof
material, such as you have in
your old mac; while showerproof-
ing means that the material
has been chemically treated to
make it substantially proof
against rain.

Gaberdine

Roughly half of the models I
saw were in shower-proof wool
gaberdine; the ones which Fran-
cis Marshall has sketched here
are examples... but of the others,
there were smartly belted, full-
skirted, high-collared models in
pale blue, claret, and tartan, made
in cotton, cumbria, silk, and
slippery satin.

Bright colours predominated;
there was only one model in
black, and that in a rayon crepe,
with a swirling skirt, snug belt,
cunning hood—a likely winner in
the U.S. where many women like
black for a rainy day.

Special fashion features were
detachable hoods, often lined in
contrasting material, unpressed
back pleat, fly-away sleeve cuffs
and miniature bishop sleeves, im-
portant collars, and stitched belts.
Many of the styles were dual-
purpose—waistconscious when
belted, jauntily swaggered with-
out the belt.

One traditional "mac with a
difference" which didn't pretend
to be anything but a raincoat
stood up well among its more
glamorous relations—it was a
light fawn slip-on coat in self-
lined Egyptian cotton poplin,
single-breasted, with slit pockets
and raglan sleeves.

This has become almost a uni-
form in Scandinavia, where any
efforts by the British manufac-
turers to produce it in crimson,
blue, or green, for a change, are
effectively thwarted.

Headnotes: The detachable hoods
were, for me, much more attrac-
tive than the attempted rainhats.
One or two were sou'-wester-
like; one was almost a Sherlock
Holmes "deerstalker" which I
thought was a mistake—in fact,
the only one I really liked in the
pert beret which Francis Mar-
shall has sketched here. "Piccadilly Swagger," complete
with the beret I've just men-
tioned (sketch centre), is made of
fine English gaberdine, in lime
green faced with black. Unlike
mere raincoats, this one can be
worn in three different ways, to
suit moods and degrees of
weather.

Tuxedo fashion

As sketched, tuxedo fashion,
for "tite showers or no shower at
all, and trimly belted with a dog-



Illustrated
by
FRANCIS
MARSHALL

lead belt; loose, without the belt,
as a casual coat; or buttoned at
the neck with a wide cross-over
in real Piccadilly swaggy style.
This "Antirain" model is primar-
ily destined for the U.S. and
Canadian markets.

The "Touchstone" model
(right) is the answer to the smart
countrywoman's problem of what
to wear on coming to town on an
uncertain day. Attractive mist
blue botany gaberdine, shower-
proof, is used for the coat, and
the features which distinguish it
are the unpressed pleated swing
back, the smartly cuffed sleeves,
and the detachable hood.

With a smart hat substituted,
all is right for a day that has
turned out fine after all.
Lining: donkey brown with gay
tartan is a happy inspiration,
while the "Frenchie" model in the
left-hand sketch
outstanding and reminds us that
every cloud has its gay side.
The material is showerproof
union wool gaberdine, the lining
of pure rayon, which also lines
the hood.

RECIPES

Fluffy cheese sauce for
toasted sandwiches

3 tbsps. vitaminised margarine.
2 tbsps. flour.
1 tsp. salt.
1 1/2 cups milk.
1/2 cup grated sharp cheese.
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce.
1 egg white.
Dash tabasco sauce.
Toasted bread slices.
Sliced tomatoes.
Crisp bacon slices.
Melt vitaminised margarine in
saucepan, add flour and salt. Add
milk slowly, and cook, stirring
constantly, until thickened.
Add cheese and Worcestershire
sauce and continue heating until
cheese is melted.
Beat egg white stiff and fold
into sauce. Add tabasco sauce.
Prepare sandwiches from toast
and sliced tomatoes. Serve fluffy
cheese sauce over sandwiches and
garish with crisp bacon slices.
Yield 1/2 cups sauce.

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By Sally Young

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Good reason to brush up on your tooth care—
especially since many scientists hold the
opinion that certain germs involved in causing
tooth decay are present right in the mouth.

To brush your teeth well—
never use a side to side motion.
Instead of removing food par-
ticles, this often forces them be-
tween the teeth. Brush upper
teeth with a down stroke—lower
teeth with an up stroke.

Remember to give those chew-
ing surfaces a good going-over.
Using a light back and forth
motion, push the bristles well
into grooves and crevices. It's
wise to massage gums with your
brush or fingertips.

Rinsing the mouth helps to
wash away food particles loosened
during brushing. It helps, too,
in keeping your tongue clean and
your breath sweet.

It takes a clean brush to keep
a clean mouth. A small brush
with well-spaced, fairly firm
bristles is usually a good selection.
Never tuck your brush away in
cabinet or kit. Do keep it out
in the air and sunlight if possible.

Following each use, clean the
brush, shake it dry and hang it in
a holder or place it in a tumbler,
bristle-side up. As soon as bris-
tles become soft, a new brush
should be substituted. The use of
two brushes interchanged gives
each a chance to dry thoroughly
—and lengthens the life of the
bristles.

Among the protective foods for
teeth and gums are amino acids,
of which the proteins are com-
posed. Also the essential vitamins
notably Vitamin A, C and D.
Sunshine, of course, helps to de-
velop Vitamin D in your own
body—but this vitamin is also
found in foods like milk and eggs.

Milk is an excellent source of
calcium, phosphorus and Vitamin

A, too, while tomatoes and citrus
fruits supply both Vitamins A
and C. Hard biscuits and coarse
cereals might injure the teeth,
but chewing foods like lettuce,
apples and celery aids in the dail-
ly exercise and cleaning of teeth
and gums.

Eat wisely, brush well—and
check with your dentist regularly.
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ment in good health—and good
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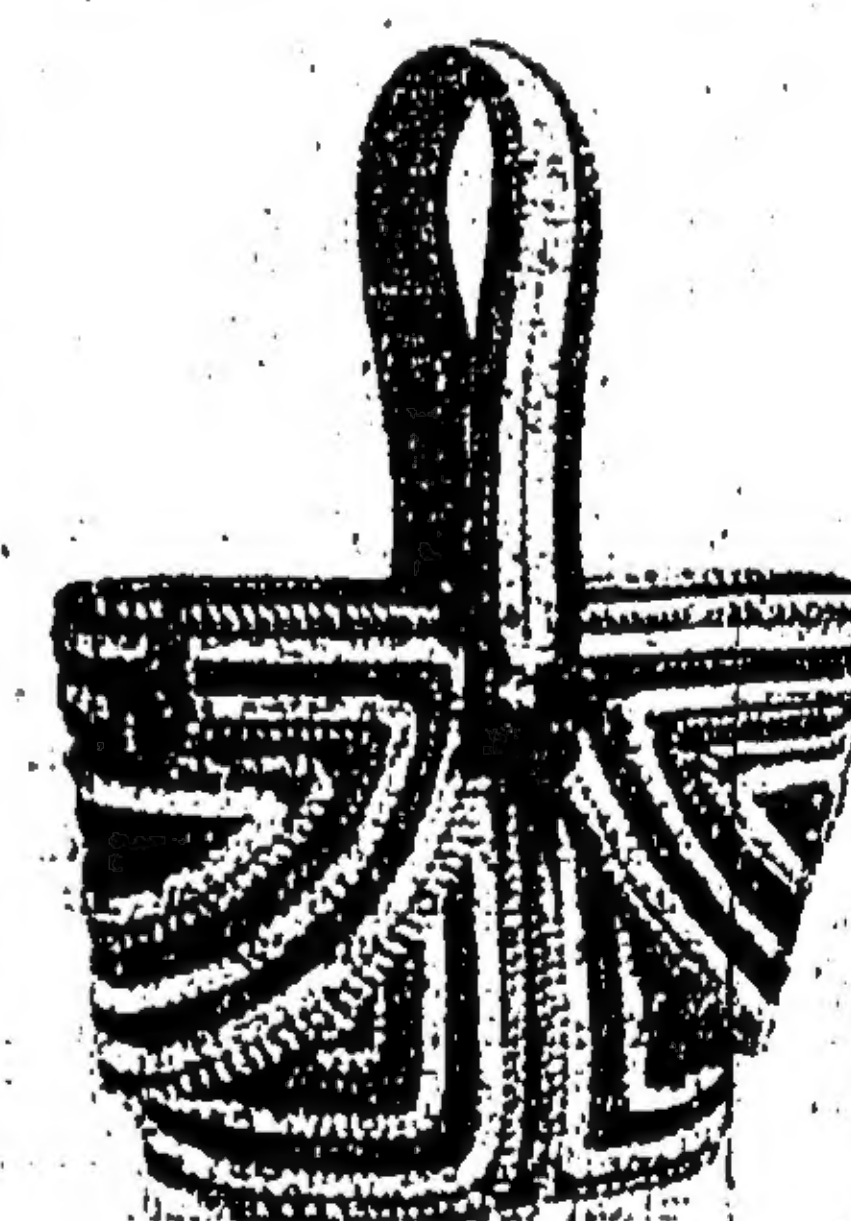


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NEW APPROACH TO WORLD'S PROBLEMS SUGGESTED AT ILO

Ganava, June 12.
Shri Khandubhai K. Desai, President of the Indian National Trade Union Congress, today urged the statesmen of the world to aim at creating a psychology which may bring into existence a co-operative commonwealth.

Addressing the International Labour Conference here as the delegate of Indian workers, he said, "This approach necessarily demands vision, sacrifice and the discarding of the traditional notions about superiority and patronage."

ROMULO IN CAR CRASH

Rochester, June 12.
General Carlos P. Romulo, the Philippine Foreign Secretary and President of the United Nations General Assembly, completed a 12,000-mile air dash from Manila and then narrowly missed injury in a car collision today to keep a date. But he arrived too late for active participation in Commencement Exercises at the University of Rochester.

The car carrying the Philippine diplomat from the airport, to the university crashed with a taxi cab. Occupants of both machines escaped harm.

General Romulo, nevertheless, was able to deliver the message he had spent half way around the world to give. "A rising South East Asia will not fall prey to Communism."

He expressed his view to a reporter as a special plane of the Communist newspaper hurried him from New York City to Rochester on the last leg of his long flight. He was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by the university.

"From Asia comes a message of hope," General Romulo said, "because Asia believes in peace. And peace is opposed to Communism."

General Romulo scented rumours that the Philippine Government is unstable. "Vigorous democracy is taking root in the Philippines," he said, "and also in other free Asian countries." General Romulo started his rush trip from Manila last Saturday morning.—Associated Press.

Haifa oil question still very complex

London, June 12.
The question of resumption of oil supplies to the Haifa refineries is still considered in authoritative quarters here as one of extreme complexity.

The Arab countries, according to the best available information here, have given no indication that they are ready to reconsider their intention to maintain the oil blockade of the Haifa refineries as part of their economic blockade. Suggestions that Britain exert her influence on Egypt to allow shipments through the Suez—as an initial move to encourage other Arab States, particularly Iraq, to abandon the blockade—were dismissed in diplomatic quarters.

Little is expected from such moves now in view of the reported failure to establish a basis for Anglo-Egyptian negotiations following the visit to Cairo last week of Field-Marshal Sir William Slim. Official quarters in principle sympathise with the suggestion that oil should again be pumped to Haifa because it would save Britain some US\$40,000,000 in foreign currency and

would remove the threat of seizure of the refineries.

The forthcoming visit to London of Nouri Fatah, former Prime Minister of Iraq, is motivated equally by the desire to discuss oil problems—may, in the view of Whitehall sources, present a new opportunity for informal discussions on prospects of revision of the Middle East oil supply position.

Earlier British efforts to persuade the Iraqis to reopen the pipeline to Haifa had failed. So did the discussion between representatives of oil refineries here and David Horowitz on the occasion of his visit to London two months ago, when he discussed unfreezing of Israel sterling balances.

Little concrete appears so far to have emerged regarding provisions of credits for financing of experts of industrial equipment by British firms to Israel. British exporters were reported to be interested in a suggestion for short-term or revolving credits to prevent shifting of orders to the United States or other markets, including the continent.—United Press.

"This is a task which the International Labour Organisation, with its traditions of the last 30 years and its practical experience in handling socio-economic problems can rightly undertake and endeavour to solve."

Shri Desai said that India and other Asian countries were in a much more unhappy position than the rest of the world's nations. Japan was the only Eastern country to show a production increase during the last four years.

He added, "I should like to observe that the living standards of the millions in the East and providing productive employment for them depend upon proper co-ordination between agriculture, cottage industries and large-scale industrial production."

"Unless the United Nations Organisation and its various agencies take up the question of low production, which is responsible for the very meagre and sub-human standards of life among more than 50 per cent of the human race, persons like myself stagger to think what is in store for the human race."

He urged the Labour Organisation to set up a special section to help the under-developed countries to attain this all-important objective of harnessing dominant, idle productive capacities of millions of human beings.

Unit cost

Sir Shri Ram, Indian employers' delegate, said that while the well-being of labour in India had visibly improved in the past few decades, great scope existed for further improvement.

"India cannot compete with other countries unless our unit cost of production is low, and it will rest with labour a lot whether or not we can keep such unit costs low," he said. "It will be equally the duty of management and employers to

Urgent problem

Sir Shri Ram went on to say that betterment of conditions for agricultural workers was a problem that must be solved for the basic economic improvement in India.

"It is a problem that has to be tackled soon because the gap between agricultural and factory labour is widening and thus aggravating the discontent of agricultural labour."

The ILO should devote more attention to furthering the Co-operative movement in India, especially among the agricultural workers.

"The enormous surplus population in my country can never be absorbed by large-scale industry," he said. "The only way in which India can achieve a really satisfactory and balanced economy is by developing its cottage industries intensely."

"Potentially, India is rich. It has immense and varied natural resources and an intelligent, peaceful, law-abiding and hard-working population. All that it needs is a shift on an even keel on its course of economic development."—Reuter.

ICELANDIC MP'S IN LONDON

London, June 12.
Two Icelandic Members of Parliament arrived here by air today from Reykjavik as the guests of British Members of Parliament.

They were Mr. Djalni Asgeirsson, a former Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. Sigurdur Bjarnason, a journalist.

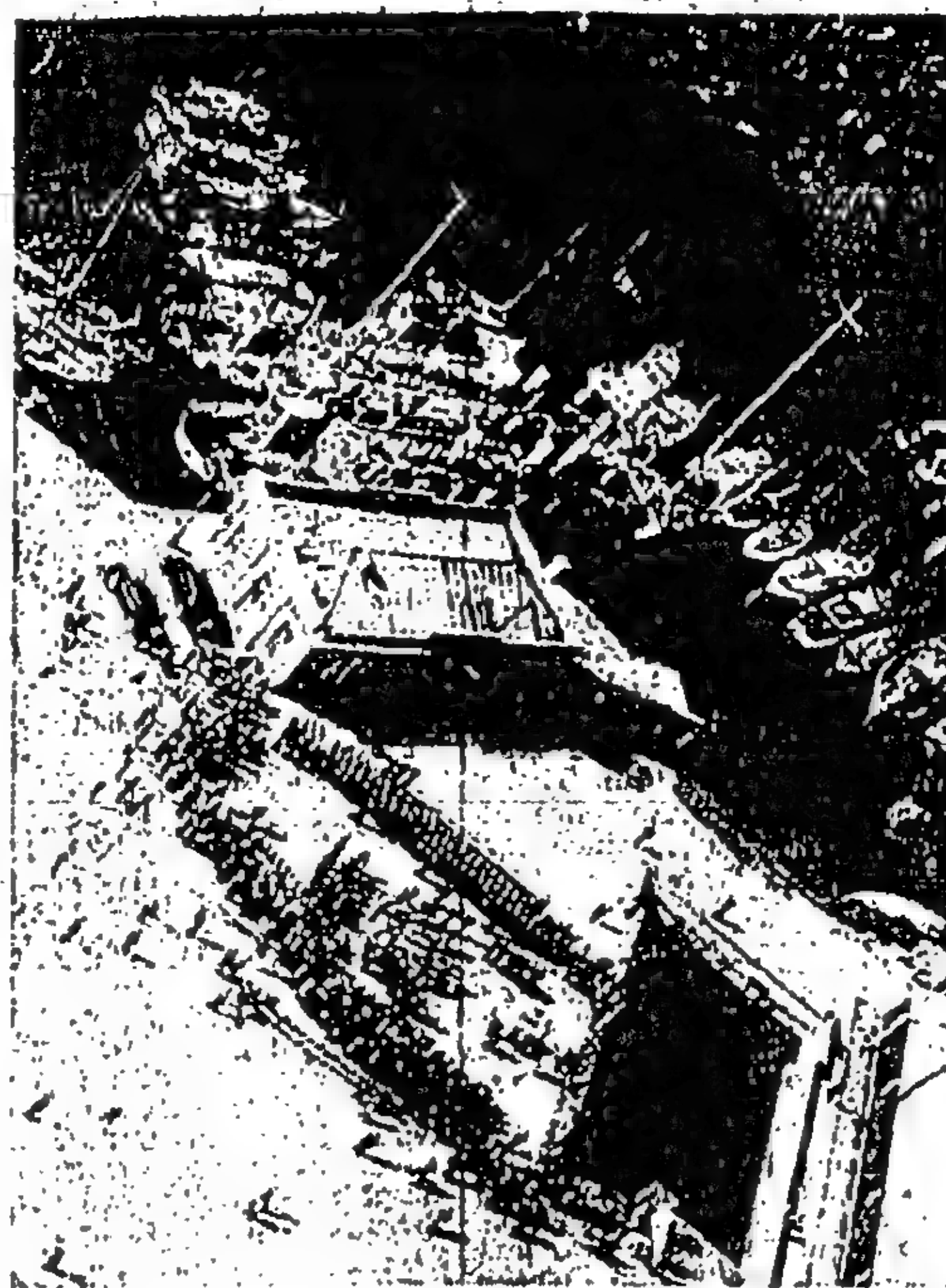
They will stay a week and will visit Parliament and Government offices.—Reuter.

NAVAL HERO DEAD

London, June 12.
Admiral Sir Henry Harwood, hero of the first major naval action of the Second World War—the Battle of the River Plate—has died at Gosport, Hampshire.

Sir Henry Harwood, who was 62, was in command of the cruiser Achilles, Ajax and Exeter which outmanoeuvred the German pocket battleship, the Graf Spee.—Reuter.

Dunkirk ceremony



A flotilla of the little ships which brought back more than 300,000 troops from the trap at Dunkirk during the black days of May and June 1940, revisited the Dunkirk beaches for a commemorative service in honour of those who did not return, and to give thanks for their own safe deliverance. The Very Reverend A. T. A. Naylor, Dean of Battle (Hastings) and Deputy Chaplain-General to the British Expeditionary Force in 1939-1940, conducted the service and read a message from the King. Photo shows an aliview of the little ships clustered in Dunkirk Harbour while their crews joined in the drum-head service on the quayside. (AP Photo).

Pandit Nehru on visit to Mendut

Jogjakarta, June 12.
President Soekarno today took Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, out sight-seeing to Mendut and Borobudur, famous monuments.

At Mendut, Pandit Nehru spent over half an hour looking at the three statues there.

The central one is that of Gautama Buddha, a monolithic sculpture which President Soekarno explained was the most beautiful statue in the world.

Dr. Chakravarty, Director-General of Archaeology, who accompanied Pandit Nehru, explained that it was Buddha's "Dharma Chakra Mudra" posture.

On either side of this statue were two Bodhisattvas.

Pandit Nehru stood admiring the serene face of Buddha and saw within a hundred yards of the temple modern buildings in ruins. They were destroyed during the recent Dutch police action.

At Borobudur big crowds greeted Pandit Nehru with Indian national flags. Here, the Indian Prime Minister spent over 90 minutes walking in the hot sun, climbing the terraces of this huge monument.

He also spent a considerable time in the galleries of the monument where the entire life history of Buddha has been engraved.

This monument is nearly 1,000 years old.

Earlier today, Pandit Nehru visited the Tamonskwa Educational Institute which is run on Santhiketan lines after the visit of Tagore here in 1927.

He also visited Gadjah Mada

Stabilisation of franc premature?

Paris, June 12.
The French currency is moving progressively towards a de facto position of stabilisation, but any attempt at a legal stabilisation would at this moment be premature, the French Finance Minister, M. Maurice Poiche, declared today in a statement published by the newspaper "Rube," official organ of the Premier's Party.

French newspaper articles published on Saturday forecasting an "early" stabilisation of the franc were described in official financial quarters today as the expression of private views, but observers were still inclined to regard them as officially inspired bits of kite-flying.—Reuter.

U.S. ARMS AID FOR BAO DAI

Washington, June 12.
American ammunition and other military supplies, sufficient to equip eight Vietnam battalions, will leave the United States for Indo-China in about two weeks.

This will be the second instalment of American arms aid to Indo-China, where the United States is trying to bolster the Bao Dai regime and allied French forces against both internal and external threats of Communism.

This week the first instalment of American aid to Indo-China, consisting of C-47 transport planes, is en route to that country.

Ammunition and military supplies to be sent next will comprise transport, artillery and necessary ammunition, communications equipment, and everything else necessary for eight Vietnam battalions, except small arms.

The United States has made haste to implement the aid plan for Indo-China in an effort to strengthen Bao Dai enough to enable his Government to stave off the disident Communist forces of rebel Ho Chi-minh.

American officials also hope Indo-China can be made a stabilising bulwark to prevent the further southward spread of Communism from Red China. Some officials here are not too optimistic about Bao Dai's chances of rallying sufficient support, even with American, French and British backing, to develop a prosperous, stable regime. But they feel the United States must gamble on him as the only available alternative to Communist control of Indo-China.—United Press.

BAO DAI TRIP POSTPONED

Paris, June 12.
Bao Dai, head of the Vietnam State, today postponed a visit he was due to make to Hanoi tomorrow, the Agence France Presse reported.

Usually well-informed sources quoted by the Agency, said that the state of Bao Dai's health did not allow him to make the journey.

The Vietnamese Prime Minister, Tran Van Huu, arrived in Hanoi from Saigon today. He is to preside at the ceremony of handing over French security services in North Vietnam to the Vietnamese.—Reuter.

FRANCE AND PEKING REGIME

New York, June 12.
Jean Chauvel, chief of the French delegation to the United Nations, said today that the French Government has not altered its decision to abstain from voting for seating the Chinese Communist representative to the Security Council.

Mr. Chauvel arrived by Air France airliner from Paris where he spent a week conferring with his Government on United Nations matters.

He said that his recent Paris statement urging a quick solution to China's representation on the Security Council does not mean that France has made a decision on the China question.

Mr. Chauvel told reporters: "My instructions remain the same; abstain from voting for seating China's Communists."

He then repeated, "My instructions have not changed" and, shrugging his shoulders, added, "But they may be changed."

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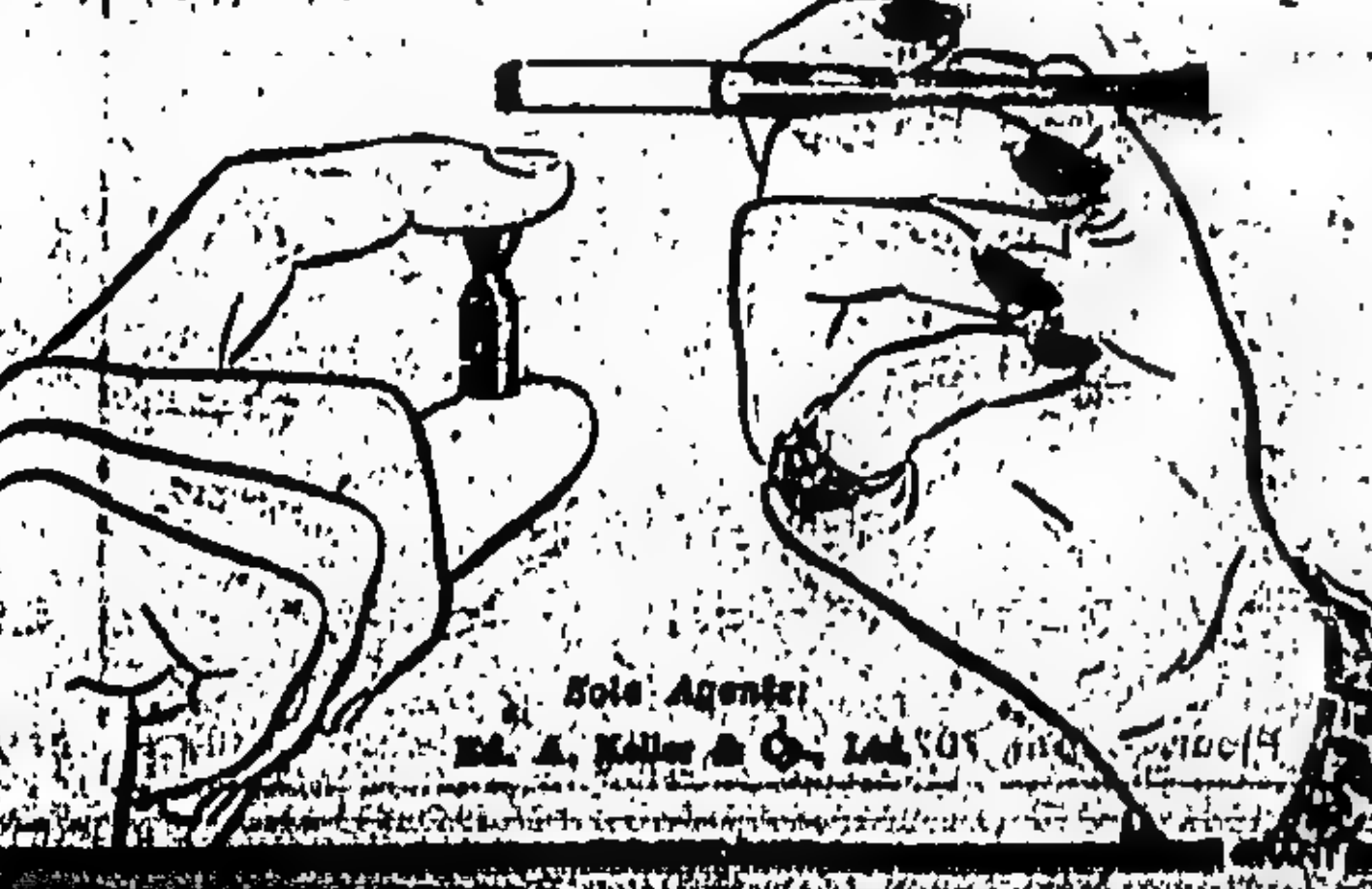
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SOVIET RUSSIA SELLING GEMS IN ANTWERP

Brussels, June 12.
Gems once owned by Russia's pre-Revolution aristocracy, are being sold by the Soviet authorities on Antwerp's diamond market to buy Belgian electrical equipment, Government sources reported today.
A survey of diamond traders in Antwerp revealed that most of the gems were polished between 30 and 50 years ago proving their pre-Revolution origin.

INCIDENT ON KASHMIR BORDER

Jammu, June 12.
One officer and five soldiers of the Kashmir State forces were killed yesterday in an exchange of fire with a band of Pakistan troops and about 50 armed Pakistan civilians when, according to reports received here, had crossed into Jammu Province near the border village of Gulabgarh to lift timber.

About 15 "raiders" were believed to have been killed in the encounter, the reports said. The State forces' officer leading the patrol returned the fire and the shooting lasted about four hours.

The bodies of the officer and his five men were brought to Jammu and cremated today.

The incident, which is considered here as a breach of the Indian-Pakistan cease fire agreement, has been reported to the United Nations observers in Jammu and Kashmir.—Reuter.

NEW VIETNAM POLICE CHIEF

Saigon, June 12.
The French-sponsored Vietnam Government appointed a new national police chief today. He is Nguyen Van Tam, the former Minister of Security in Cochinchina, one of the provinces making up the new state of Vietnam.

He succeeds Nguyen Van Dal, who was criticised for being insufficiently energetic after a number of assassinations of officials and Europeans.—Associated Press.

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Government sources said the diamonds were sold through the Soviet Embassy in Brussels and the proceeds deposited in a special account at the National Bank of Belgium. These sources estimated the sales at more than \$5,000,000 since the end of World War II.

A Finance Ministry official said such trading was legal but a close watch was being kept on the Russian account at the Bank to prevent the use of funds for propaganda purposes.

Antwerp dealers said the Soviet sales had been considerably increased during the last three months. They totalled \$100,000 in April, \$120,000 in May and an estimated \$150,000 in June.

The dealers complained that the polished stones meant less work for Belgian cutters but denied the reports that the Soviet sales were having any repercussions on the price of diamonds.

Dealers said the Soviet Embassy employs a diamond broker in Antwerp who handles all Russian sales.

Finance Ministry officials declined to estimate the size of the Soviet Embassy's bank account here. Other informed sources, however, said it was in the neighbourhood of \$1,500,000.

The funds, it was reliably reported, are used mainly to buy electrical equipment. Government sources said that too for the Russian mission had not attempted to buy potential war materials.

A Soviet Embassy spokesman said, "I wouldn't know anything about such sales. We suggest that you contact our commercial attaché." The attaché was too busy to answer the telephone, his secretary said.


The Belgian authorities see no reason to interfere with the transactions.—United Press.

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New Delhi, June 12.
Screaming clouds of locusts swarmed in millions over Central India today in columns four miles long and thick enough to slow a railway train.

The Government, anticipating a further invasion from the West, ordered Jeeps, trucks and trains loaded with poison to fan through the area to combat the pests and save crops.

Passengers arriving by rail at Jabulpur said their train was buffeted about by two swarms three and four miles long and 80 feet thick. It took the speeding train 10 minutes to tunnel through the swarms as the locomotive slipped on the tracks made slippery by masses of the insects crushed beneath the wheels.—United Press.

RED TRAWLERS IN BLACK SEA

Istanbul, June 12.
The fleet of 30 Soviet fishing vessels which caused a furore by looting in British waters on the eve of the recent Western Union Naval manoeuvres reached the Bosphorus today and sailed through to the Black Sea.

Shipping experts said that the vessels, although they have been fishing in the Baltic for more than a year, did not appear heavily loaded.—United Press.

SCIENTIST SHOCKS PEACE CONFERENCE

Vienna, June 12.
Professor Hans Thirring, Austria's leading atomic scientist, threw down a challenge to Eastern European delegates to secure from their leaders pledges of freedom for their peoples and practical proofs of their own humanity. He was speaking at a session of the Communist-organised peace conference here.

When the full texts of speeches made at yesterday's session were published here today, it became clear that Professor Thirring, who was elected a member of the Council's Committee, had dropped a bomb-shell on the conference.

According to these reports he faced the Eastern European delegates on the platform and declared, "You must understand that millions of anxious people know that in the Soviet Union and in the People's Democracies strict military organisations exist; and that spokesmen of these countries carry on an uncompromising, relentless campaign against the Governments of the rest of the world."

"Further, every first of May the whole world can view with amazement, pictures and reports showing indescribable military parades with the most modern tanks, bombers and frightful flame-throwers and other weapons taking place in Moscow at all places."

"Is it to be wondered at if the people of the West, intimidated

by these sorts of sabre rattling parades, can place little faith in peace offers from the East?"

Hint to Russia

Professor Thirring asked the Soviet Union to give up its permanent veto against the conclusion of an Austrian peace treaty and said that this would be a splendid, practical contribution to the peace idea.

The Czechoslovak Health Minister, M. Josef Plohar, after a quick consultation with the Russian delegate, declared in reply that neither Russia nor the other East European States would make one single step over their own frontiers for an aggressive war.

Amid cheers he told the delegates, "On the basis of our so-called Eastern ideology we are convinced that the new Socialist world does not need a war, and will certainly not start a war."

The Russian delegate, M. Anatoly Safronov, followed him and said, "The Soviet Army has and has no aggressive intent."

BRITISH MOVE IN AUSTRIA

London, June 12.
Britain is to replace her Military High Commission in Austria with a Civilian Authority by August 1, it was officially announced tonight.

The Foreign Office announced the appointment of the present British Minister in Vienna, Sir Harold Caccia, as the new British Civilian High Commissioner, replacing the Military High Commissioner, Major-General T. J. W. Winterlton.

Similar decisions expected to be announced from Paris and Washington are part of a move by the three Western Allies to cut occupation costs in Austria in view of the deadlock in the Austrian State treaty negotiations.

Though the number of British troops in Austria will remain unchanged, the size of the administration connected with the High Commission will be greatly reduced, by permitting it to be combined with the British Legation in Vienna.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that Britain would, in due course, be replying to the recent Austrian note making detailed proposals for reduction of occupation costs.—Reuter.

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INDO-CHINA EXPORTS NOW A MERE DRIBBLE

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, June 12. Steel and motor stocks shot far ahead of a generally firm market today. Final prices were up fractions to around two points and at peaks for one to 21 years.

Improvement elsewhere was generally limited to a point or less. A number of issues backed down a trifle. Business was comfortably brisk with turnover touching a rate of around 1,800,000 shares for the full session.

Auto and steel stocks have been strong recently, helped along by a lavish flow of favourable industrial reports. On Monday for instance, the American Iron and Steel Institute reported that the steel industry this week will operate at capacity for the ninth week in a row.

Among gainers were U.S. Steel, Bethlehem Steel, Jones and Laughlin, National Steel, General Motors, Chrysler, Studebaker, U.S. Rubber, American Telephone, Sears Roebuck, International Harvester, American Cyanamid, Santa Fe, Nickel Plate, Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Pushed back a bit were Goodrich, Montgomery Ward, Servco, Kennecott Copper.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 70.71, 20 Industrials 228.38, 15 Rails 50.87, 10 Utilities 43.69.

Closing stock quotations:

Adams Express	23
Alaska Juneau	3
American Can	117
American Smelting	501
American Telephone	1014
American Tobacco	601
American Waterworks	102
Anaconda Copper	325
Aviation Corp.	8
Baldwin Locomotive	101
Barnsdall	321
Beck Aviation	33
Bethlehem Steel	33
Boeing Aircraft	201
Horden Co.	501
Canadian Pacific	15
J. I. Case	434
Chrysler	80
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Commercial Solvent	49
Corn Products	8
Du Pont	845
Eastman Kodak	40
General Electric	504
General Motors	987
Goodrich	944
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International Harvester	204
International Paper	474
International Tel. & Tel.	134
Johns Manville	51
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Pennsylvania RR	181
Radiol Corp.	211
Real Silk	143
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Standard Brands	23
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U.S. Governments held steady. Up in the curb were Fordell and Alexander, Waltham Watch, National Pressure Cooker, Cosden Petroleum, Barium Steel and Atlas Plywood.—Associated Press.

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Saigon, June 13. Indo-Chinese exports have been slashed to a mere dribble by a man who is leading a war of terrorism and consuming hatred against the French.

Ho Chi-minh, 57-year-old Moscow-weaned revolutionary, and his bands have used the scorched earth policy, occupation, and terrorism to harass and frighten the French "exploiters" out of Indo-China.

Although exports have nearly dried up, French businessmen shrug their shoulders and hold on.

Almost all Indo-China's exports and imports are handled through French businessmen or concerns. There is only one American firm in Indo-China which is represented by Americans, Cal-Tex.

Once one of the biggest exporters of rice in Asia, Indo-China last year exported 137,700 metric tons of rice, and 30,307 metric tons of maize, the exports of both of which are controlled by the Government.

Her annual rice production (which at one time accounted for two-thirds of Indo-China's exports) averages 1,000,000 metric tons during dry seasons, according to official statistics.

Pepper exports shrank also in 1949, but was due to the death of almost 30 per cent of the pepper plants which were attacked in the roots by parasites.

Although rubber exports dropped sharply, rubber represents lives in Saigon feel they are doing amazingly well in face of the hardships imposed by the Viet-minh.

Indo-China exported a total of 40,996 metric tons of rubber in 1949, compared to 64,880 tons in 1948.

The Vietnamese population and agriculture both gravitate to the two fertile deltas of the Mekong in South Vietnam (formerly Tonkin). Central Vietnam is a mountainous narrow ridge with little agriculture and few settlements along the coast.

Paddy wasting

Vietnam's geography and the settlement of the population has been described as like a "candle carrying a pole with a basket of rice hung at either end."

Although both deltas produce rice, all rice for export comes from the Southern Vietnamese Mekong delta. It has been reported that more than 1,200,000 metric tons of paddy are wasting in the plains of the Mekong delta.

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LONDON STOCKS

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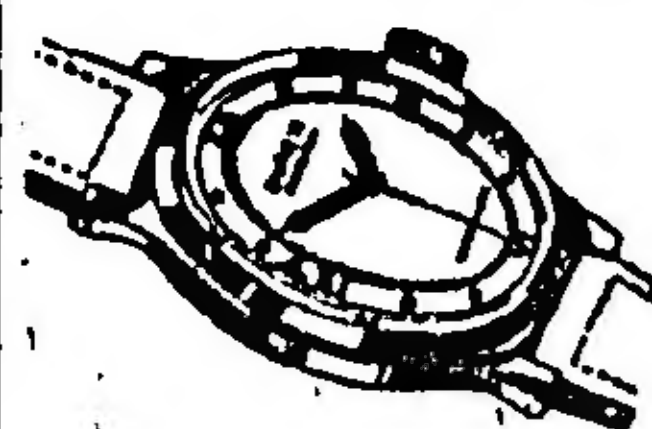
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Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The market continued buoyant with further appreciation in rates, closing with a firm undertone.

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5 1/2% Loan (1948)	98 1/2
BANKS	
H.K. & S. Bank	124 1/2, 125 1/2, 127 1/2
(Loan, Rev.)	27 1/2
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Mercantile Bank & C.	222 1/2
Bank of East Asia	10 1/2
INSURANCES	
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Union Ins.	27 1/2, 30 1/2
China Underwriters Ltd.	24 1/2
H.K. Fire Ins.	20 1/2
SHIPPING	
Douglas	20 1/2
H.K. & M. Steamship	11 1/2
Indo-China (Prov.) Ex-Dir.	83 1/2
(Dir.) Ex-Dir.	17 1/2
Shells (Harbor)	67 1/2
Union Waterworks	18 1/2
Asia Nav.	67 1/2, 70 1/2
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County cricket:

Scoreboard error leads to a drama at Worcester

London, June 12.

A double century, a bowling hat-trick and several spirited battles for first innings points, which included one tie, marked today's play in the English County cricket programme.

Charlie Harris, 41-year-old Notts opening bat, who on Saturday against Hampshire recorded his first century of the season, today continued the knock and was undefeated with 239 runs when the Notts innings closed.

He hit two fives and 31 fours while batting nearly eight hours. It was the highest score in his 22 years of first-class cricket.

The second hat-trick of the season was performed by A. E. Rhodes, 35-year-old Derbyshire spinner, who claimed the wickets of three University batsmen in three balls at Oxford.

A scoreboard error led to a drama at Worcester, when the Worcester first innings ended against Yorkshire. The board showed 237 runs, one behind Yorkshire's total, but the scorers discovered an additional extra and it brought the scores level.

This meant that should the match finish decisively the losing side would gain two points for a first innings tie in the event of a draw each side would get two points.

There had been only two previous instances of a first innings tie since the scoring system was revised before the 1946 season.

F. Leach, young Yorkshire leg-break bowler, claimed eight Worcester wickets for just over 10 runs apiece.

Lancashire failed

Five leg-break bowlers by Jim Sims, who is 46, failed Lancashire's bid for first innings points over Middlesex, but they were only six runs behind.

Sims took five wickets for 66 runs.

Alan Moss, young Middlesex bowler, claimed his first County wicket—and a good one too, for he had Cyril Washbrook, the England opening bat, leg-before.

When Kent lost their eighth wicket at Gravesend, they were still 24 runs behind Somerset's first innings total. Douglas Wright, the England spin bowler, was then seen in the unusual role of batsman and he and Ridgway carried the score past Somerset before Ridgway fell. Wright went on to make 43 not out.

Close of play scores

The following are the close of play scores:

At Lords: Middlesex 263 and 116 for three (Brown 73), Lancashire 257.

At the Oval: Surrey 221 and 126 for five, Northamptonshire 210.

At Oxford: Derbyshire 266 and 108 for four (Elliott 59), Oxford University 218.

At Cambridge: Free Foresters 74 and 246 for five (Valentine 67, Allen 51), Cambridge University 382 for nine declared.

At Gravesend: Somerset 250 and 338 for six (Gimblett 184), Kent 203.

At Worcester: Yorkshire 238 and 198 for six (Coxon 50, not out), Worcester 238.

At Horsham: Essex 274 and 155 for eight, Sussex 363.

At Gloucester: Glamorgan 400 and 24 for two, Gloucestershire 241 (R. Gravney 115, Muncey, right-arm off-spin bowler, six for 190).

At Conville: Leicestershire 343 and 26 for three, Warwickshire 306 (Gardner 95).

At Nottingham: Notts 401, Hampshire 190 for two wickets (McConkell 103 not out, Rogers 72 not out).—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET

London, June 13.

The following were the results of County cricket matches ended today.

At Horsham: Sussex beat Essex by eight wickets; Essex 274 and 160, John Dakes, right-arm medium bowler taking five wickets for 33 runs, and Sussex 360 and 81 for two.—Reuter.

CRICKET:

England win first home Test since 1947

Manchester, June 12.

England won their first home Test match since 1947 when the West Indies, offering only moderate resistance in the final stages, lost by 202 runs at Old Trafford.

The West Indies never looked like making a fight of it from the time that Christiani gave a simple catch to silly mid-off in the third over of the day.

The remaining batsmen hit out in desperation and even Stollmeyer, who batted so correctly on Saturday, was caught off a reckless stroke.

Treacherous pitch

The West Indies simply could not achieve the miracle performance, which was needed for them to overcome the treacherous Old Trafford pitch.

Whatever the views of the players on the difficulties of playing good cricket on turf from which the ball jumped and turned sharply from the first day, there could be no doubt that the spectators thoroughly enjoyed watching the batsmen struggle for runs.

Stollmeyer stayed for three hours and 10 minutes and hit 10 fours in his fighting innings of 78, and Goddard remained undefeated and kept his end going while Hines Johnson, despite an injured side, hit a six and three fours in his 22.

Holles, bowling from the end which gave greater assistance, took five wickets for 63 runs, and Berry had four wickets for 53 runs to round off a highly successful Test debut with nine wickets for 118 runs.

More than Berry's number of wickets, however, was the skill he showed in every phase of the bowling arts.—Reuter.

Beckenham Lawn Tennis Championships

Beckenham, Kent, June 12.

Narsh Kumar, India's fourth ranked tennis player, won his first round men's singles match when the Beckenham Lawn Tennis Championships opened today.

He beat W. T. Anderson, of England, by 6-4, 7-5.

Most of the stars who will later play at Wimbledon are competing. Gardner Mulloy, the tall American, is defending his title and has been seeded to meet Eric Sturges, of South Africa, in the final.

Narendra Nath soon followed his compatriot into the second round with a 6-1, 6-4 win over P. Rosenberg, of Sweden.

Miss Gussie Moran, of the lace parlours fame, who is top-seeded for the women's event, made her re-entry into English tennis before 10 photographers and a newsreel cameraman.

In the first round she beat Mrs Sheila Dawkins, of Kenya, by 6-2 and 6-2.—Reuter.

Misra does well

Bristol, June 12.

Suman Misra, former All-India Lawn Tennis Champion, won two matches in the men's singles when the West of England Championships opened today.

In the first round he defeated D. Whitehead (England) by 6-1 and 6-1, and passed into the third round with a 6-4 and 6-3 win over A. McPherson, another British player.—Reuter.

BASEBALL CLUB

WILL NOT BE SOLD THIS SEASON

Philadelphia, June 12.

The Philadelphia Athletics announced today that the baseball club "definitely will not be sold this season."

A statement by the management said, "Even if we should receive an attractive offer, one would take months to straighten out details in connection with such transaction."—United Press.

NO BASEBALL

New York, June 12.

There are no games today.—Associated Press.

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Davis Cup:

Australia expected to reach Challenge round

By CONNIE RYAN

New York, June 12.

USA tennis leaders expect Australia to reach the Davis Cup challenge round again in 1950, and think that the matches will be so evenly contested that they will draw the largest tennis crowds of recent years.

"I think the Davis Cup matches against Australia will be terrific," said Ralph Gatecomb, president of the West Side Tennis Club of Forest Hills, site of the Davis Cup play and the USA nationals.

"If the Aussies win the Cup and stay on to play in the nationals, that tournament can be more successful than ever."

Gatecomb admitted, though, that the USA lacks the colourful individual star who is needed to provide box-office attraction, and none of the other nations have such a player either.

"We don't have anyone like Pancho Gonzalez or Jack Kramer," said Gatecomb, "but we have a few players who may do big things. Tony Trabert, for instance, he has a fine physique and the strokes, and he hits hard."

"Or perhaps Budge Patty, Tom Brown, Fred Kovaleski or Art Larsen will develop."

Chief attraction However, Gatecomb said that the foreign field probably would be the chief attraction in the nationals, presuming that Australia's players remain for the singles championship.

If so, most neutral observers predict no more than the ordinary success enjoyed by the tournament for the past few years.

The top foreigners all have played at Forest Hills many times before—men like Jaroslav Drobný, Bill Bidwell, John Bromwich, Gianni Cuccilli, Robert Abdessalam and Ricardo Balbieri—and none have become top attractions.

The 1949 Davis Cup play, which lasted three days, brought gate receipts of \$52,000, and the eight-day 1949 national singles brought in \$504,000.

Capacities crowds for the Davis Cup would bring in almost \$1,000,000, and the nationals could do some \$150,000 if crowds were consistently large.

IRC TENNIS TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Indian Recreation Club in a "D" Division lawn tennis match against CRC (2) at Sookunpoo on Friday, June 16.

F. Rumljahn, M. Samy, S. K. Bux, Ador A. Rumljahn, S. H. Khan and S. M. Rumljahn (Captain).

Those unable to play are requested to notify the Captain as soon as possible.

YACHTING JOYRINGS:

McAuley wins Star class regatta final

By "MAINSHEET BLOCK"

The final of the Star class regatta races which was sailed on Sunday in a drizzle but with a fair wind was won by McAuley.

McAuley made an excellent start, crossing the line with the gun.

On the beat up to Far APC he consolidated his advantage. The order changed little throughout the race, though on the second lap, Price in No. 1 reduced the lead from two minutes to half a minute.

Some of this closing up may have been due to the very thorough way in which McAuley covered every tack which Price made.

Last week's results were:

SATURDAY, JUNE 10.

Dinghy Open Race.

1st Tolfree (14) 1:12.20; 2nd Brackenbury (5) 1:14.28; 3rd Sutter (11) 1:15.40; Courtney (4) 1:16.00.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11.

Regatta Star 3rd Heat.

1st Price (1) 59.30; 2nd Miss Porteous (4) 1:30.00; 3rd Harrison (2) 1:40.00.

Regatta Star Final.

1st McAuley (4) 33.55; 2nd Price (1) 54.20; 3rd Brackenbury (5) 57.52; 4th Furrer (1) 1:17.16; 5th Miss Porteous (2) 1:47.45.

ROUND ITALY CYCLE RACE

Naples, June 12.

Gino Bartali, the Italian cycling ace, today made what was probably his last attempt to catch up on the Swiss cyclist, Hugo Koblet, and take the lead in the Giro d'Italia (Round Italy) cycle race.

He failed in the bid and Koblet kept his lead over the last but one Campobasso-Naples lap of the race. The last lap, between Naples and Rome, will be raced tomorrow.

Koblet is now firmly expected to win and become the first foreigner ever to have won the Giro d'Italia in the 33 years of its history.

Pata, the Italian, won today's lap between Campobasso and Naples.—Reuter.

TWO MORE BRITISH SOCCER REFEREES FOR ARGENTINE

Buenos Aires, June 12.

Two more British football referees—Richard Maddison and Arthur Berry—have arrived in Argentina under contract to the Argentine Football Association.

The Association now has 12 British referees under contract.—Associated Press.

Spectators should be shown more consideration

By N. W. D. YARDLEY

Schoolboy swimming sensation

Cheong Kin-man of Wah

Yan College again proved himself to be one of the most promising young swimmers the Colony has ever had when the School's Aquatic Meet, sponsored by the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Swimming Association, concluded at the Chung Shing Swimming Pavilion last evening.

He won the 100 Metres Free Style in the record breaking time of 63.4 seconds and then won the 400 Metres Free Style in 5 minutes 39.6 seconds.

During the Meet swimming exhibitions were given by leading Chinese lady swimmers of the Colony including Miss Leong Ol-mun.

An exhibition Water-Foils game was also played at the conclusion of the competitive events.

Dr. Wong Sek-to, Honorary President of the Association presented the prizes to the winners and he also donated a special prize of a gold cross to the individual champion of the Meet, Cheong Kin-man, who won all four individual events he swam in.

The School's Championship was won by Wah Yan College (A.M. and P.M. combined) with 50 points while Fong Lam was runners-up with 23 points.

The following are the results of the events held last night:

100 Metres Free Style: 1. Cheong Kin-man (Wah Yan); 2. Lau Kam-hung (Fong Lam); 3. Lau Kam-bor (Fong Lam). Time, 63.4 secs. (record).

400 Metres Free Style: 1. Cheong Kin-man (Wah Yan); 2. Lam Kwan-nga (St. Louis); 3. Lau Kam-bor (Fong Lam). Time, 5 mins. 39.6 secs. (China record).

800 Metres Free Style Relay (4 x 200): 1. Wah Yan; 2. Kong Lung; 3. Fong Lam; 4. St. Louis. Time, 11 mins. 31.4 secs.

Final points: standing in the School Championship: Wah Yan 50 points; Fong Lam 23; Kong Lung 16; St. Louis 14 and Ling Ying 7.

Huge field expected for Ascot Stakes

A huge field of 20 is expected to go to the post for the Ascot Stakes, to be run over two and a half miles at the opening of the Royal meeting at Ascot tomorrow.

The race is timed to start at 2.45 p.m. GMT.

Probables and jockeys are as follows:

Aldeborough (F. Barlow), Monticola (R. Poincelot), Coubrador (A. Wragg), Cappellicca (E. Britt), Surda (no jockey yet), Chancellor (E. C. Elliott), Centaurey (A. Brocasley), Forethought (W. Nevett), Cider Apple (T. Wills), Honourable (Rac Johnston), Father Thames (W. Rickaby), Blue Fox (Gordon Richards), White Cloud (R. Renner), Fort Frere (G. Littlewood), Bonaparte (R. Shaw), Claude Duval (Epi. Smith), Hiltail (H. Packham), Primium (Douglas Smith), Legende d'Amour (N. Whiteside), Light Cavalry (A. Roberts), Le Hero (P. Evans), Danee II (J. Strett), Turkish Beau (James Doyle), Tarka (W. Smith), Atomic Power (R. Brudley), Eastern Giga (L. Pigott), Potent (J. Egan), Royalistic (D. Greening) and Guerrier (T. Mahon).—Reuter.

PIRATES ACQUIRE HANK BOROWY

Pittsburgh, June 12.

The Pittsburgh Pirates tonight acquired veteran pitcher Hank Borowy from the Philadelphia Phillies. Borowy has done little pitching for the Phils this year.

He won 12 and lost 12 games for the Phils last year.

Before that he played for the Chicago Cubs and the New York Yankees.

Borowy will report to the Pirates in New York tomorrow.—Associated Press.

BETTING TIPS SOLD AT "CUT RATES"

Sydney, June 12.

Post employees have been accused of tapping telephone wires of leading racing men and selling the betting tips at "cut rates."

Post Office investigators are looking into the charges.—Associated Press.



I believe we players should sit among the spectators, more often and so get to know what the people in the rings think of things. Spectators by their support provide cricketers with their livelihood and keep the County clubs financed. Without them County cricket would cease to exist.

Therefore, they ought to be the first consideration of both players and clubs, whose duty should be to provide good entertainment, comfort and amenities.

Sitting for six hours on a hard seat on a bleak or very hot day, requires both patience and will-power. Let us have as many comfortable and well-arranged seats as possible, with an adequate supply of cushions for hire.

Bars and refreshment stalls, too, are few and badly organised. Queuing is probably inevitable, but to reach the counter and then find that the supply of cups or glasses has been expended is infuriating.

Make refreshments attractive. One ground I know provides excellent picnic cantons with savoury contents. Couldn't this be done everywhere?

Crowds are generally good natured, but for the big, important matches let us have adequate police control.

Rain is disconcerting for all, but how often do spectators wait outside the ground when the start is delayed in complete oblivion of what is taking place inside.

So captains, make your inspections and decisions as early as possible and pass them on to the ground authorities for the benefit of those outside the gates.

Why waste time? Rain stops play. Too much time is wasted after such a break. It is often some ten minutes or more after the rain ceases that the captains or umpires (usually prompted by the crowd) take their leisurely stroll to the wicket.

If play is practicable resumption must be prompt after such breaks, or the crowds will get impatient and go home.

The same applies for stoppages through bad light, a difficult decision for the umpires, I know, but the spectators should be the first consideration.

And here is a plea for bigger and better-equipped grounds on the Australian pattern.

A ground holding 50,000 would certainly be filled to capacity for an England v. Australia match in London. However, I realise this is not practicable. Such a ground would seldom be full, and could not be used for winter sports as in Australia.

However, Australian type score-boards would be welcomed by all. They give a complete picture of the game—the batsman's score; the analysis of all bowlers; how each batsman was out; the fielder on fielding the ball; in addition to the detail given on our type of score-board.

A spectator who doesn't know a single player by sight is soon completely in the picture without being a source of embarrassment to his next door neighbour.

CHARITY PING PONG

A charity Ping-Pong game in aid of the Stanley Boys' Camp will be played at the Chinese YMCA at 8 p.m. on Friday, June 16, between the Electrical Unit (Champions of Shanghai) and O. Luen of Hong Kong (Winners of the Chi Tsun Cup).

The following are the teams: Electrical Unit: Hsieh Shu-chok (Shanghai Single's Champion), Foo Chi-fung and Liu Han-chun.

O. Luen: Chung Chin-sing (Hong Kong Single's Champion), Law Kam-sung and Wong Si-tim.

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